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## Hitting the High Spots

**I**N order to identify ourselves more closely with the great industry which we serve, the name of this magazine is to be changed. You may have noticed that the word "Construction" has been growing in importance on our cover for the last few months and the word "Successful" has been gradually fading away.



After this issue "Successful" will fade out entirely and the publication will be known henceforth as "Construction Methods." And this might be a good place to state that the dropping of the word "Successful" does not for one moment

suggest or admit any lack of success. Quite the contrary. We simply feel that this magazine can do even better and more effective work in its chosen field if it carries the word "Construction" at its masthead. We are proud of the fact that we belong to the construction industry and we don't care who knows it.

**S**O much for the future. Now let's take a look at the magazine you hold in your hand. First of all is the cover which shows a detail of the work on the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York, one of the finest structures now under way in the United States. And the Blue Book (pages 9-12), that section which we reserve each month for notable jobs in which the whole industry takes pride, shows the greatest hotel in the world, which is now nearing completion in Chicago. Look it over. It's a real job.



Probably you realize that spring is here and it's time to settle down to work. Just to help drive home that useful thought we have provided some pictures of the annual spring cleaning that every wise contractor indulges in at this time of the year. They were taken at Gus Scharl's headquarters in Muskegon, Michigan, and you will find them on 20 and 21. Incidentally one of these pictures shows a new and interesting bit of contractor's equipment, a

portable barn on wheels. It will hold twenty horses and they will be hauled in state right to the scene of their labors. Since the men have taken to driving to the job in their cars, the horses have felt that something should be done to make life easier for them. Gus Scharl being a just man, has given the matter due consideration and the mobile barn is the result.

**H**OW many of you know how many different species of motorized equipment are in use in highway maintenance work? We were greatly surprised when we looked into



the subject recently, and are passing the surprise along to you on pages 30-33. Look 'em over and if you have any additions to the collection send them along. Perhaps we will get enough for another chapter.

One of the most interesting jobs now under way is the construction of the Carquinez Strait bridge near San Francisco. A few days ago they picked up a 750-ton steel span with the aid of counterweights and slipped it into position without the flicker of an eyelash.

**T**HE Cascade tunnel is with us this month (pages 6-8) and we recommend to you the picture of the camp. It looks like an ideal place for a vacation.

Do you like boating? If so, you can get a job afloat and still remain in the construction business. Try page 16 where you will find a 500-ft. ship engaged in sailing Lake Michigan on construction business bent. Or, if you like your boating on safer and quieter waters, join the crane on pages 24 and 25, which has been spending the winter on the bosom of a placid New England mill pond.



One of the great advantages of this construction industry is that it is well stocked with variety—the well-known spice of life. Maybe that's why construction men the world over have so much pep.

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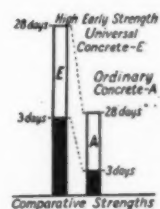
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## Cat Catches Millions of Mice

**F**OR years construction men have been referring to their Caterpillar tractors as "Cats" so that it seems fitting that in the recent war on mice conducted in the vicinity of Bakersfield, California, "Cats" should have played a leading part in the destruction of the invading horde of rodents.

The outfit shown in the photograph at the bottom of this page, consisting of a Caterpillar 60 hauling an Austin Mammoth grader, was called into action and dug about 35 miles of trench in which poisoned grain was laid in order to stop the mice. This method of fighting proved successful, and

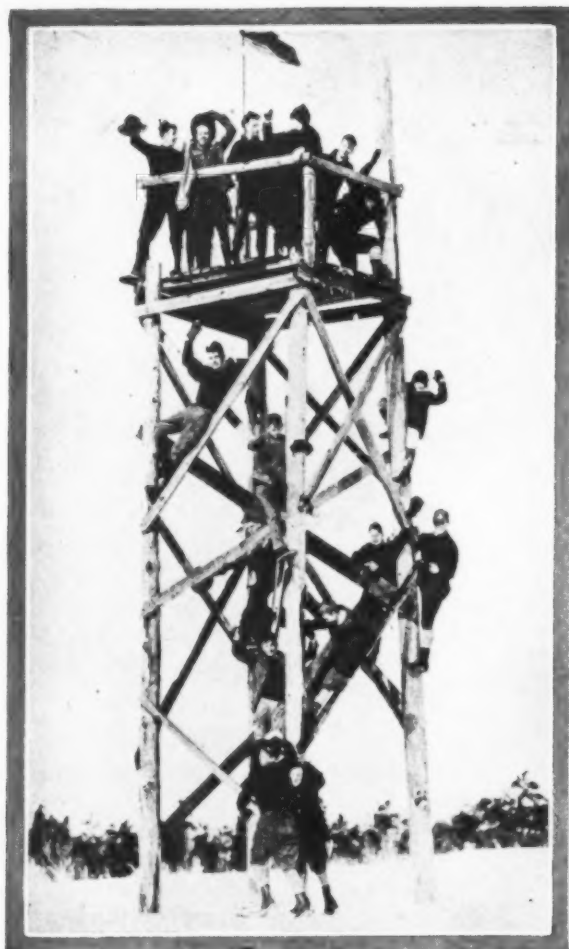
an estimate made by E. Raymond Hall of the University of California, showed an average of 84,700 dead mice to the mile. This would put the "Cat's" total at something like 4,000,000 mice which establishes a record which is likely to stand for many years to come.

The other two photographs were taken during the progress of the war. The picture at the left shows a typical section of the trench dug by the tractor and grader. The smaller photograph at the right shows the destruction caused by the mice. It was taken in a warehouse and gives a good idea of the way in which the mice ruined sacked grain.

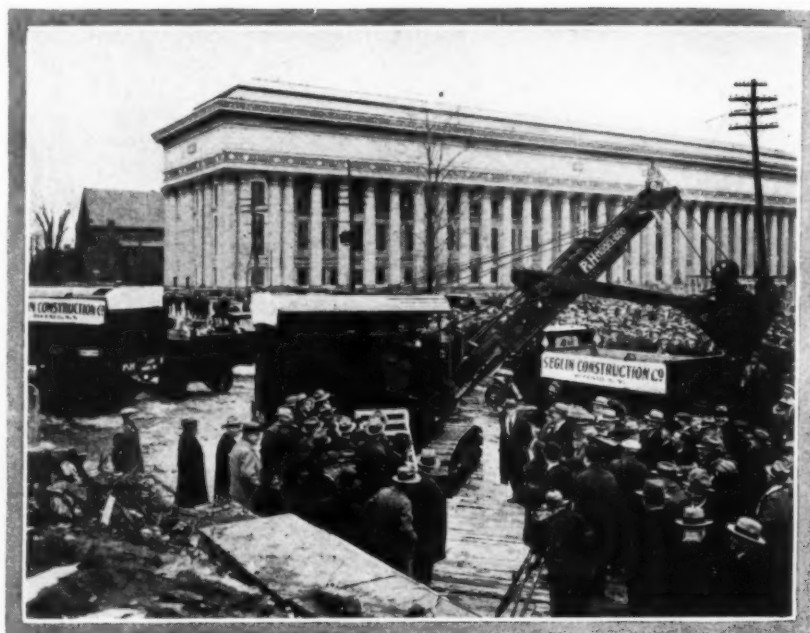
The mouse fighters, the ditch they dug and the machine that dug it



# Celebrities



© P & A Some promising recruits for the construction business are shown in this photograph. They are boy scouts from Dover, Mass., who built this watch tower for fire protection



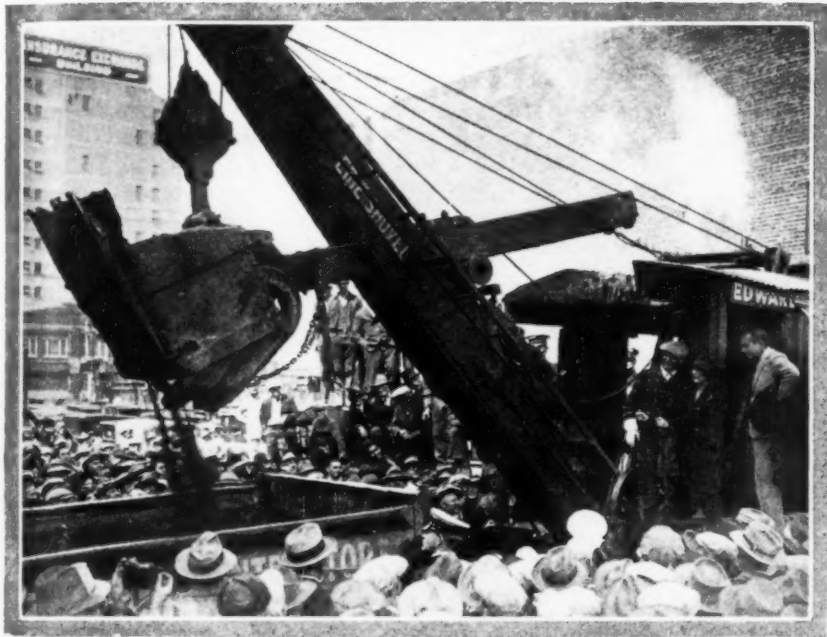
Al Smith, Governor of New York, breaking ground for the new state office building at Albany with the aid of a P & H shovel



© International This is one of the buildings at Canberra, the new Capital of Australia, which will be dedicated by the Duke of York. This structure will house the Federal Parliament



# es and Shovels



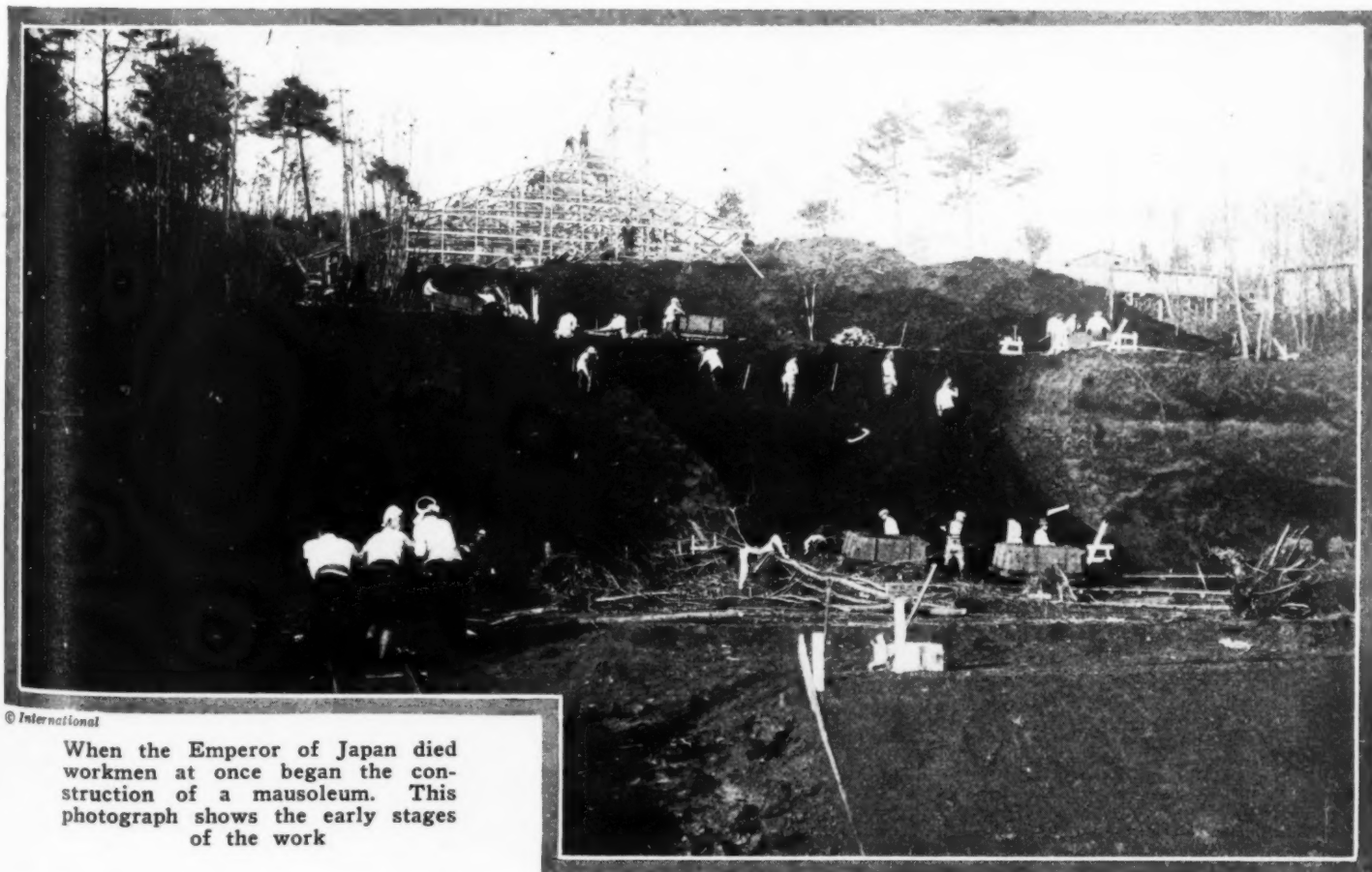
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On the Pacific Coast the job of scooping up the first dipperful of earth on the site of the Universal Artists Theater was entrusted to Mary Pickford and an Erie shovel



© P & A

A girl bricklayer hard at work on a building in Germany, where women are invading many occupations hitherto left to the men



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When the Emperor of Japan died workmen at once began the construction of a mausoleum. This photograph shows the early stages of the work

# Cutting Through the Cascades

**T**HE Cascade tunnel, nearly 8 miles in length, is one of the noteworthy construction jobs now under way. It will take the main line of the Great Northern Railway through the summit of the Cascade Mountains in Washington and, as has been recorded recently, all previous drifting records have been beaten by the crews engaged in the work.

The West Portal camp is at Scenic, the East Portal camp is at Berne and a shaft 659 ft. deep has been sunk in Mill Creek Valley. This shaft is the only outside access to the tunnel in its entire length. It divides the tunnel into a west section of 5.37 miles and an east section of 2.41 miles. A pioneer bore with crosscuts at 1,500-ft. intervals is used to speed progress in the longer section, and the shorter section is being driven with center headings from both ends. The contractors are A. Guthrie & Co., Inc., of St. Paul, Minn., and they began work in December, 1925.

It is expected that the tunnel will be finished next year.

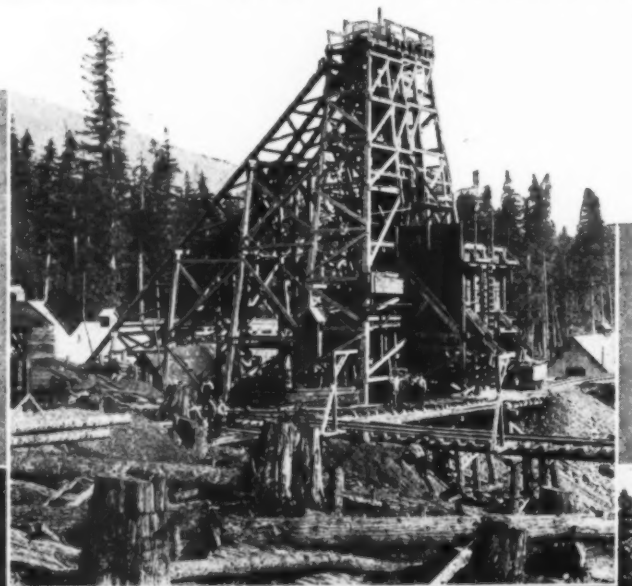
At the west end, Sullivan drill carriages mounting 4 drills are used in all headings. At the east portal, the drills are mounted on a horizontal bar, and the first row of holes is drilled from on top the muck pile. The rock encountered has been granite of various degrees of hardness and tightness with occasional seams of clay and shale.

After trial of several machines, Myers-Whaley mucking machines were selected, and are now used at all faces. Marion power shovels, model 41, with shortened boom and dipper stick, are used in tunnel enlargement at the east and west end. A Marion 20 is working west from the Mill Creek shaft. The shovels have crawler treads which span the 36-in. track and make jack arms unnecessary, as the crawlers rest on extra long ties.

Double track extends back a train length or more from each face. The 4 rails are laid to form 3 tracks, the 2 middle rails being set the gage distance apart. This gage is 24-in. in the headings. Mucking machines and drill carriages run on the middle track. When the pioneer bore gets a sufficient distance ahead of a crosscut, the outside rails are taken up, and the middle track is left. Koppel cars of 50-cu.ft. capacity are used in the headings, and 6-yd. Koppels in the enlarged tunnel.

Denver 17 drifters and Denver stopers are in use at Scenic and Mill Creek. Ingersoll-Rand drills are employed in the east end. Sharpening is done by Sullivan equipment.

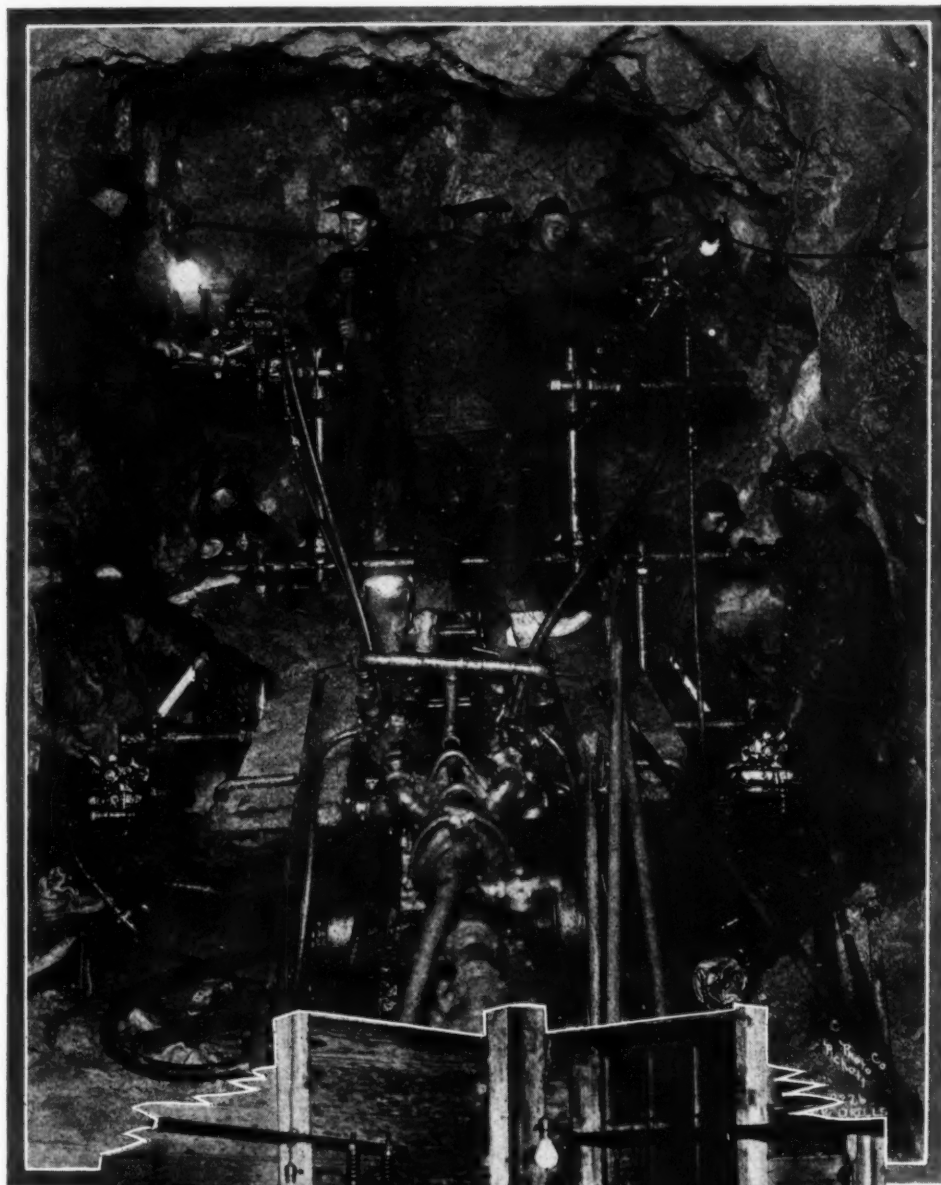
The Mill Creek shaft is shown at the left while the photograph below gives a good idea of the splendid camp at the West Portal





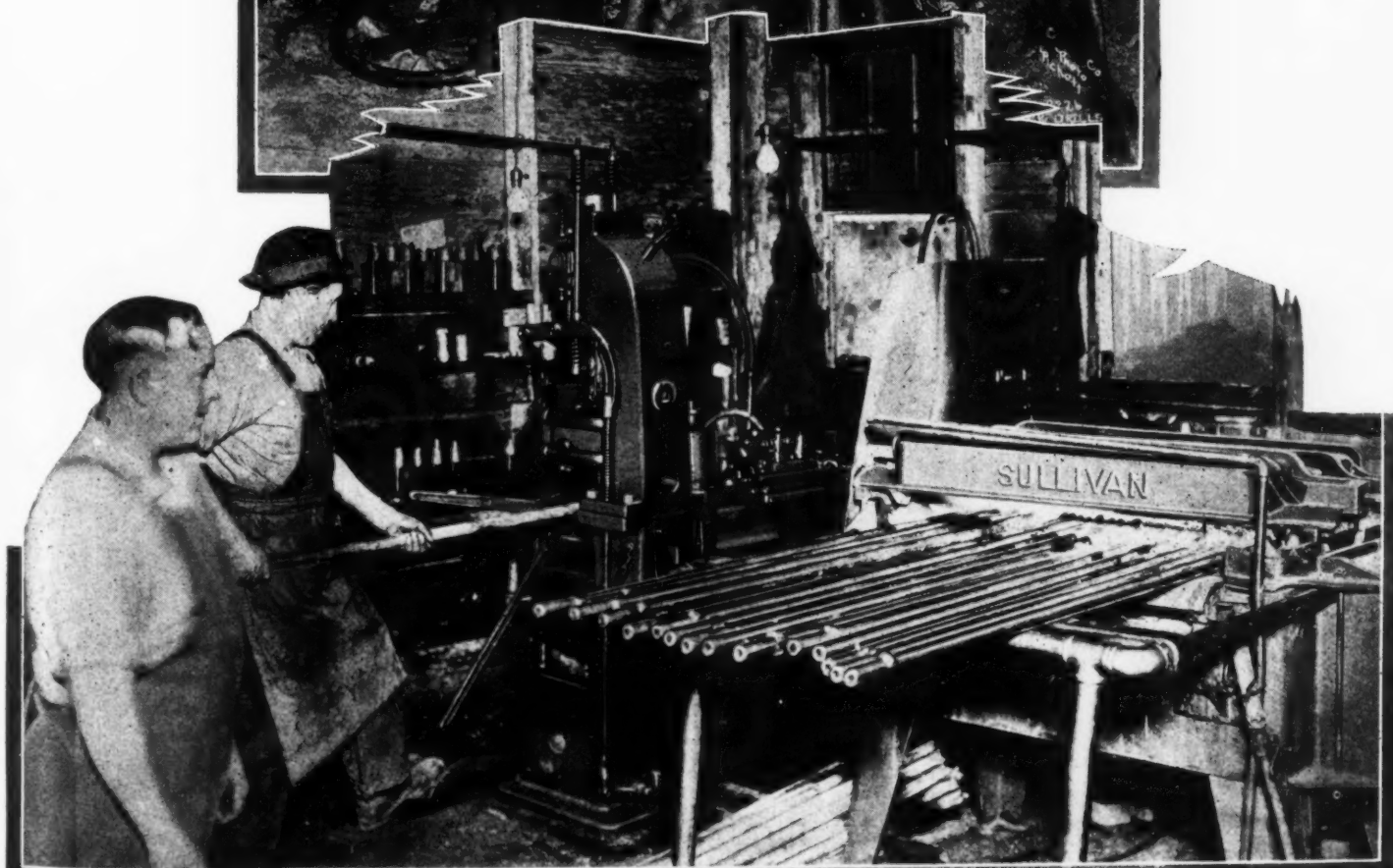
The air is carried in through 8-in. pipe with Dayton couplings. The pipe size is reduced to 4-in. in the crosscuts and to 2-in. in the headings. The pioneer bore serves as the

fresh air duct. Blowers of 5,000-cu.ft. capacity are installed at each 5,000 ft. of advance. These act as booster stations. J. R. W. Davis, chief engineer of the Great Northern Rail-



The photograph at the right shows the work in the Pioneer tunnel near the West Portal. This photograph is typical of the work in the headings

The picture at the bottom of the page shows the blacksmith shop where the drill steel is sharpened. Sullivan oil furnaces and sharpeners are used for this work

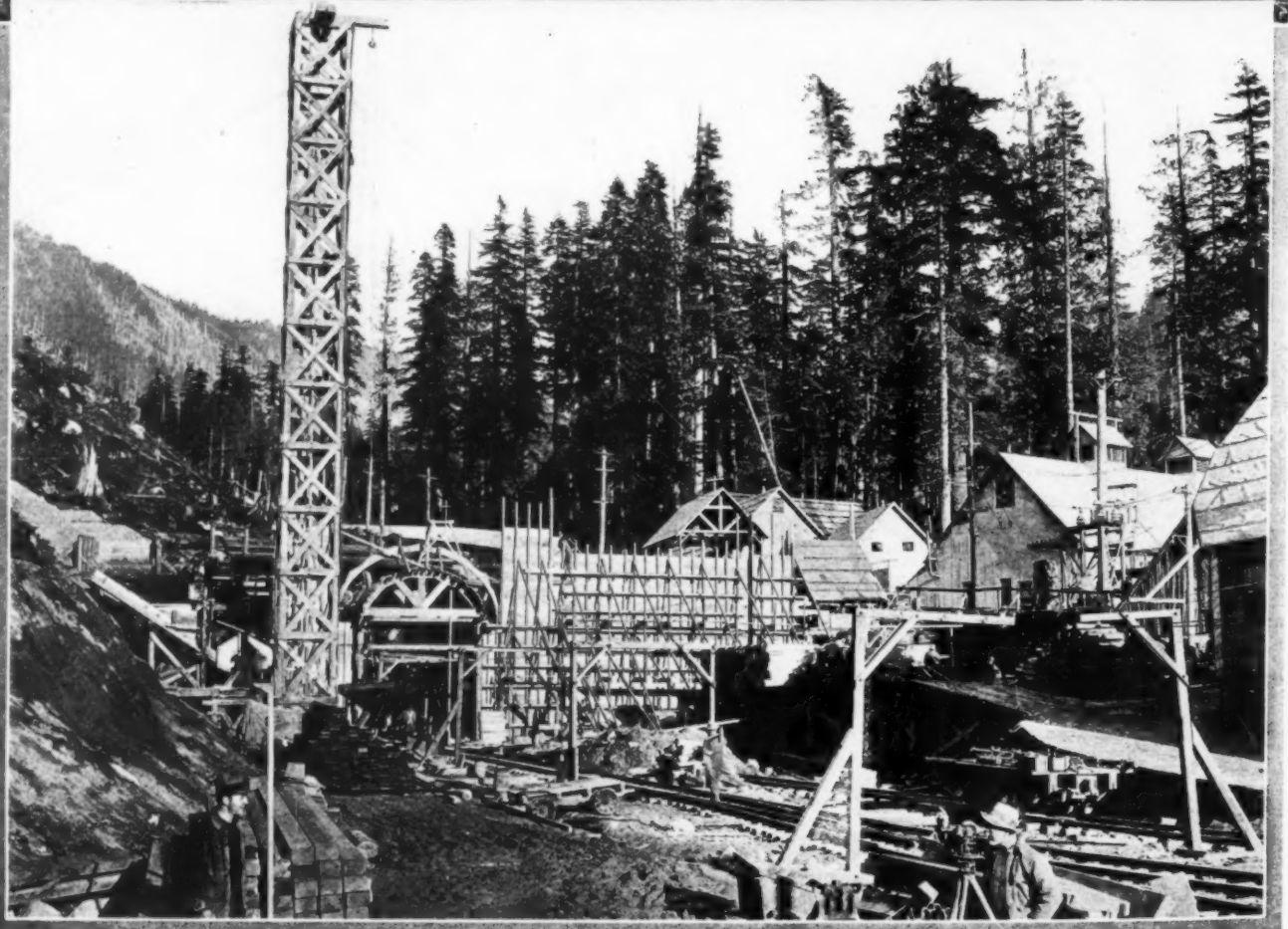


way Co., St. Paul, has general charge of the work. Col. Frederick Mears, assistant chief engineer, lines west, Seattle, is directly in charge of operations. M. J. C. Andrews is resident engineer. For A. Guthrie and Co. J. C. Baxter, vice-president, St. Paul, exercises general

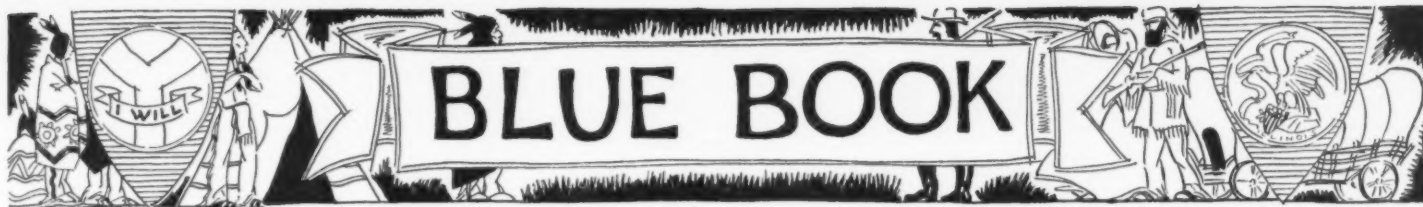
supervision. R. F. Hoffmark is general superintendent. His assistant is W. E. Conroy. The superintendents in charge of the 3 sections are: Scenic, H. J. King; Mill Creek, F. J. Kane; Berne, C. J. Jones. J. M. Renwick is master mechanic.

The group just below includes several executives of A. Guthrie & Co., including from left to right: M. J. C. Andrews, C. F. Folliett, W. E. Conroy, R. F. Hoffmark, H. L. Mundy. The men at the right are the bosses of the crew which broke the world's record last October

They are from left to right: H. J. King, Supt.; Andy Olson, Frank Robertson, Claude Dahlquist, John Watters, S. M. Smyth, Jack D. Harrington, R. D. Keerl. The middle photograph shows the day shift of the record-breaking gang, and the picture at the bottom shows the west Portal at Scenic





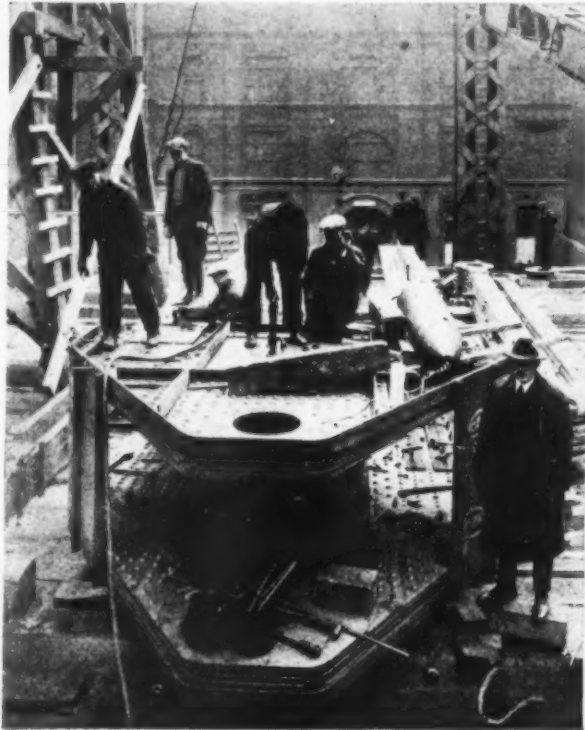


## The Stevens, Chicago—The World's Largest Hotel

The largest hotel in the world soon will open its doors in Chicago. The Stevens on Michigan Boulevard will have 3,000 rooms. The great structure was built by the George A. Fuller Co. and was begun the summer of 1925.

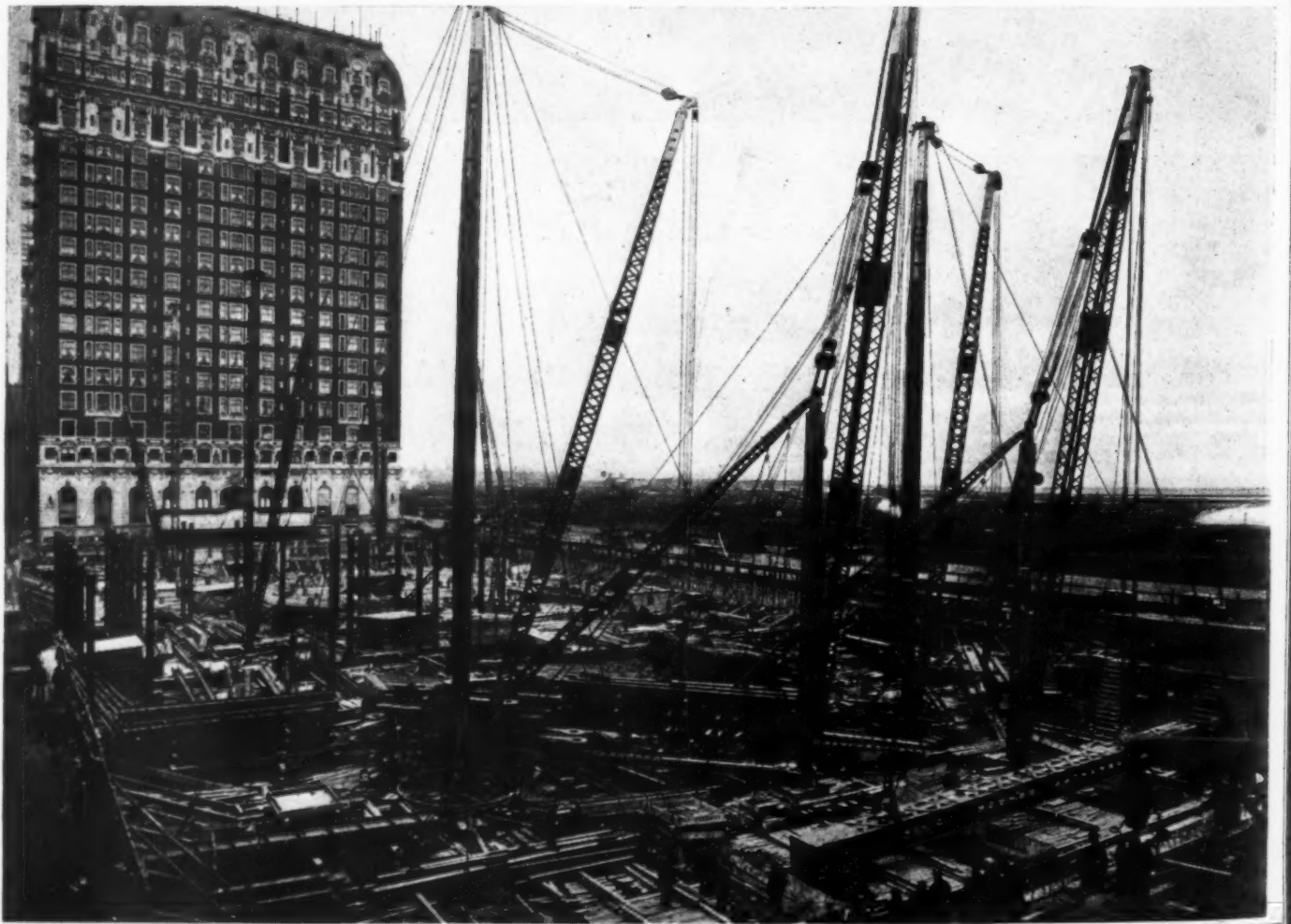
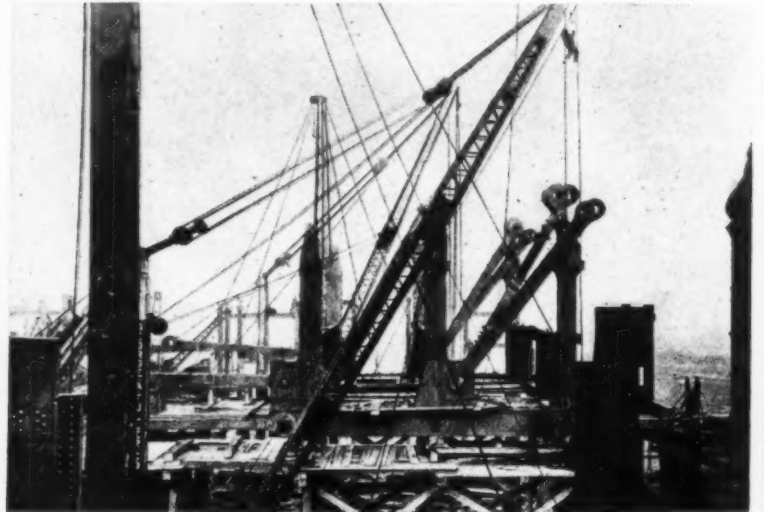
Holabird & Roche of Chicago are the architects. The picture at the bottom of this page was taken on August 14, 1925, and shows the excavation well under way. The upper photograph shows the laying of the cornerstone on March 16, 1926. The three men on the platform are from left to right: R. W. Stevens, J. W. Stevens and E. S. Belden, vice-president of the George A. Fuller Co. The man at the extreme right with his coat collar turned up is C. W. Dolle, superintendent.





### The Stevens, Chicago—World's Largest Hotel

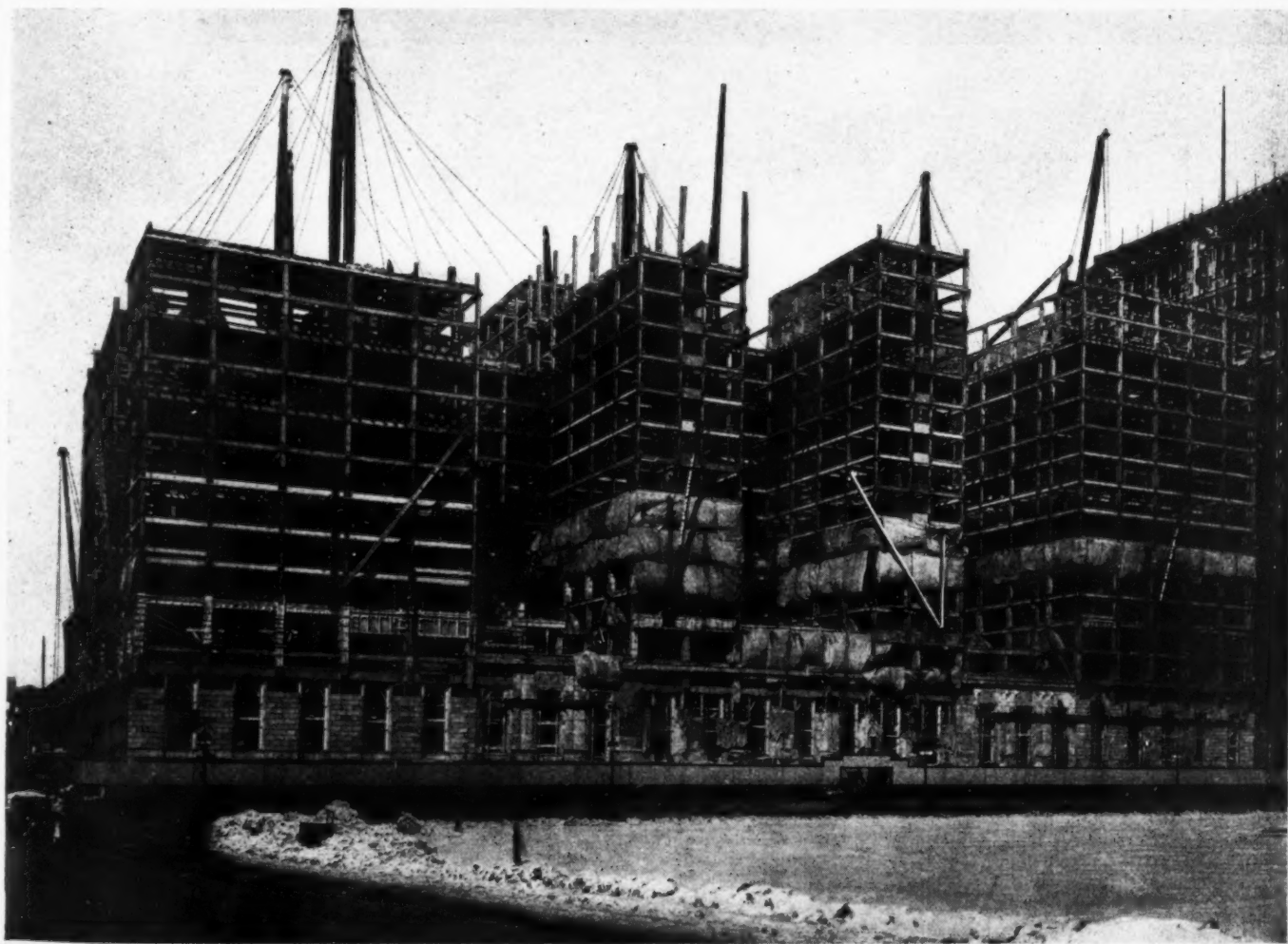
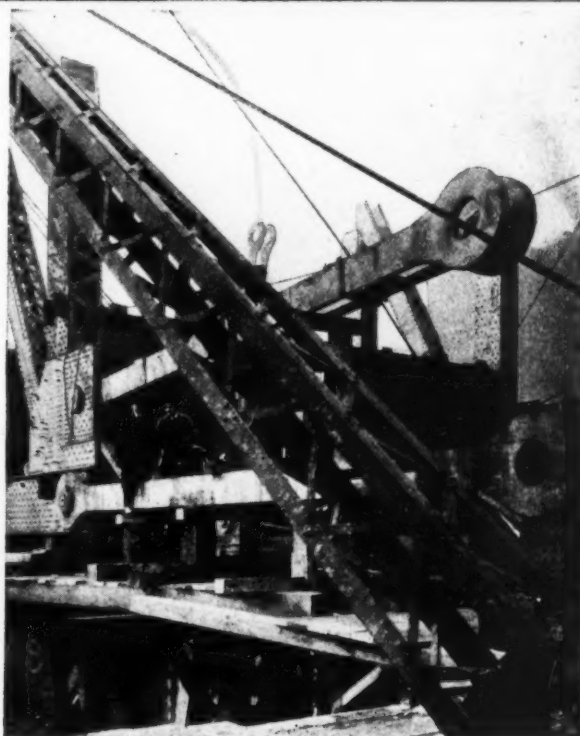
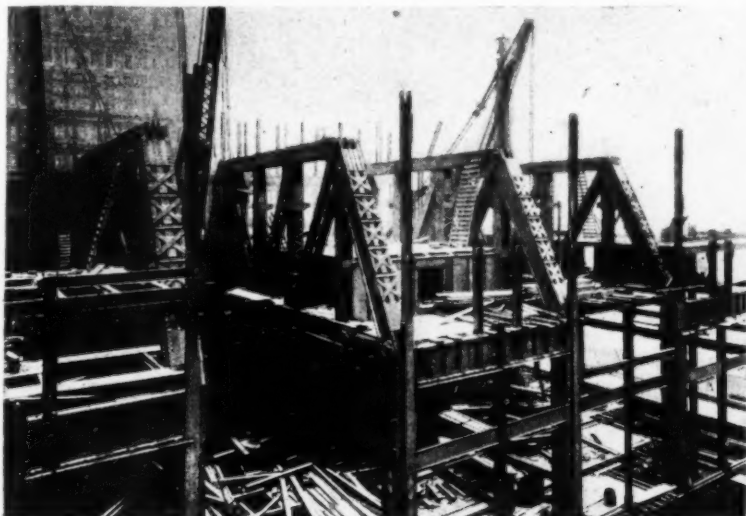
The small photographs on these two pages show details of the placing of the great 86-ft. trusses which will form the roof of the second floor and will support the columns of the 22 floors above. Three of these photographs were taken on January 14, 1926, when preparations were being made for the setting of the big trusses. The fourth picture shows four trusses in place.



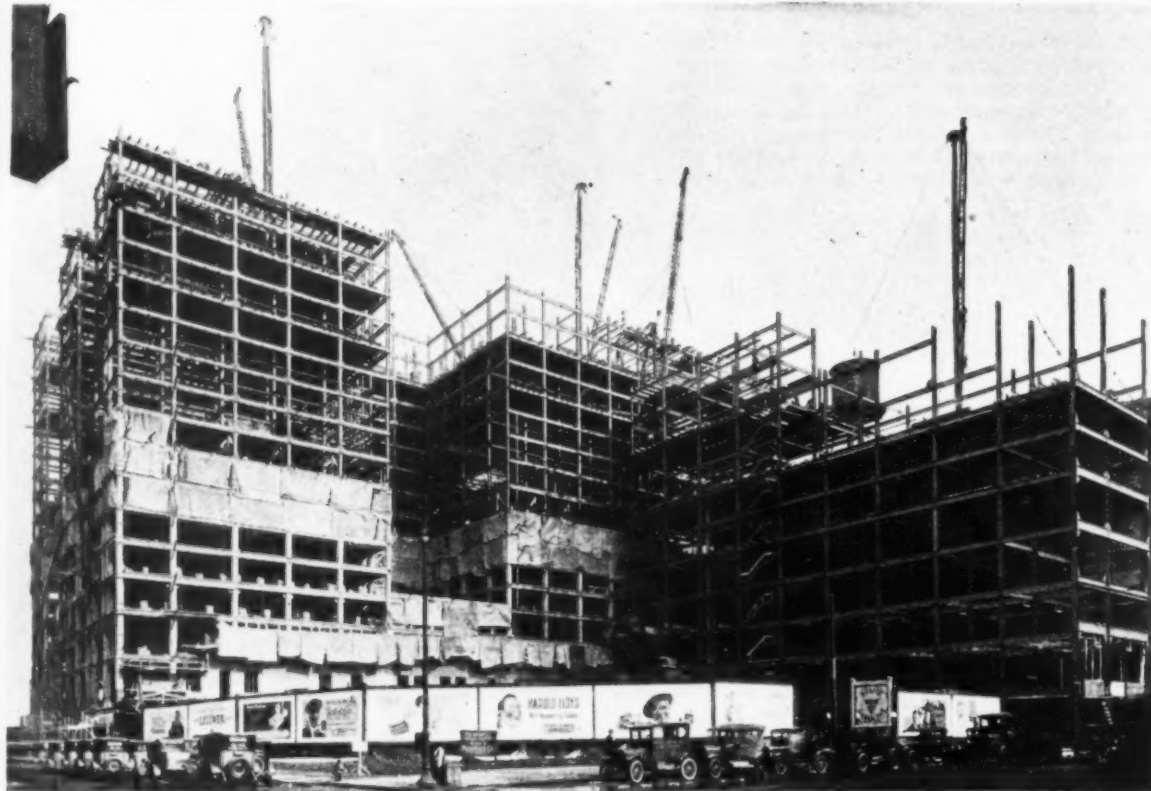


### The Stevens, Chicago— World's Largest Hotel

The two large pictures at the bottom of these two pages show two stages of progress in the construction of The Stevens. The photograph on the opposite page shows the site of the hotel shortly after the erection of steel work began. It was taken on November 25, 1925. The picture at the bottom of this page was taken on April 1, 1926, and shows the progress up to that time.

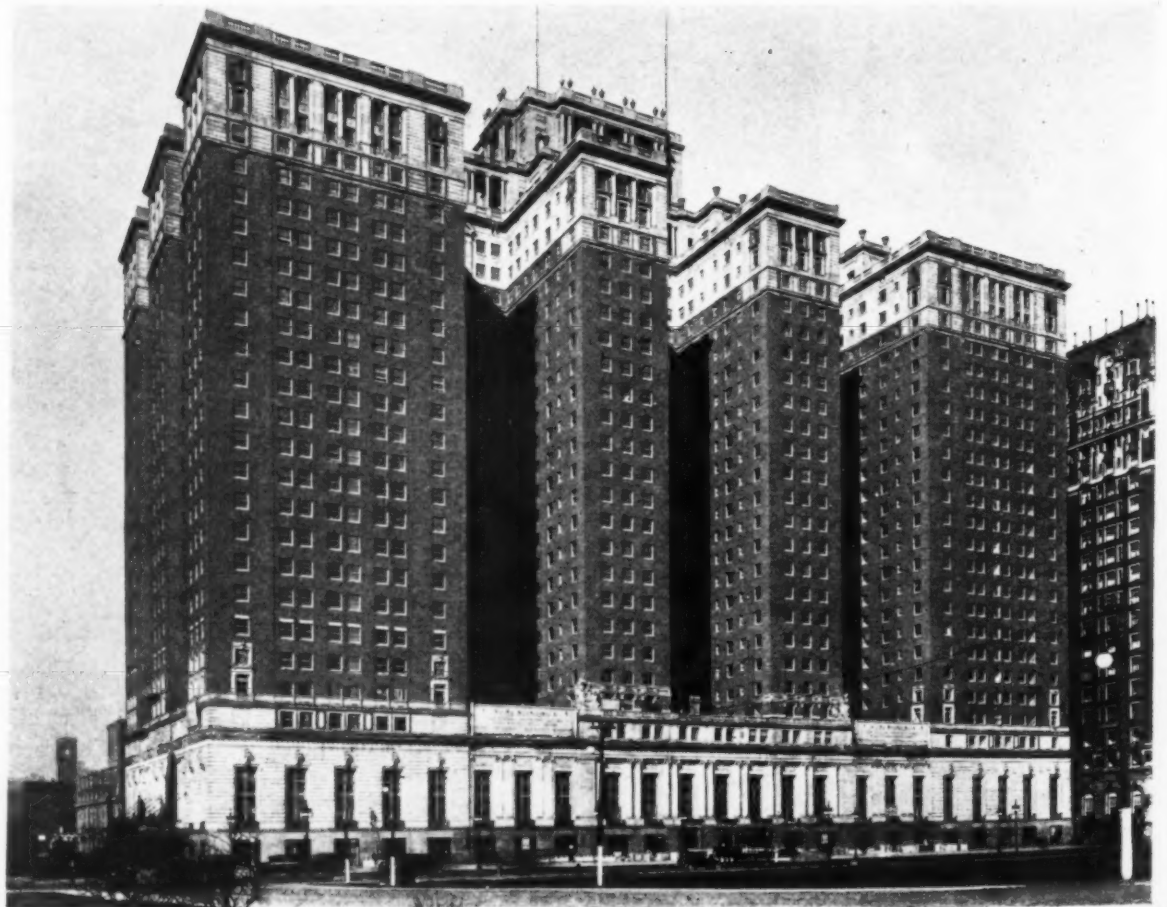


# BLUE BOOK



The Stevens,  
Chicago  
The World's  
Largest  
Hotel

The upper photograph shows a section of The Stevens from the rear. The wing running out to Wabash Avenue will be used for the hotel staff. This photograph was taken on March 29, 1926. The lower picture, taken only a few days ago, shows The Stevens as it now looks from the Michigan Avenue Side

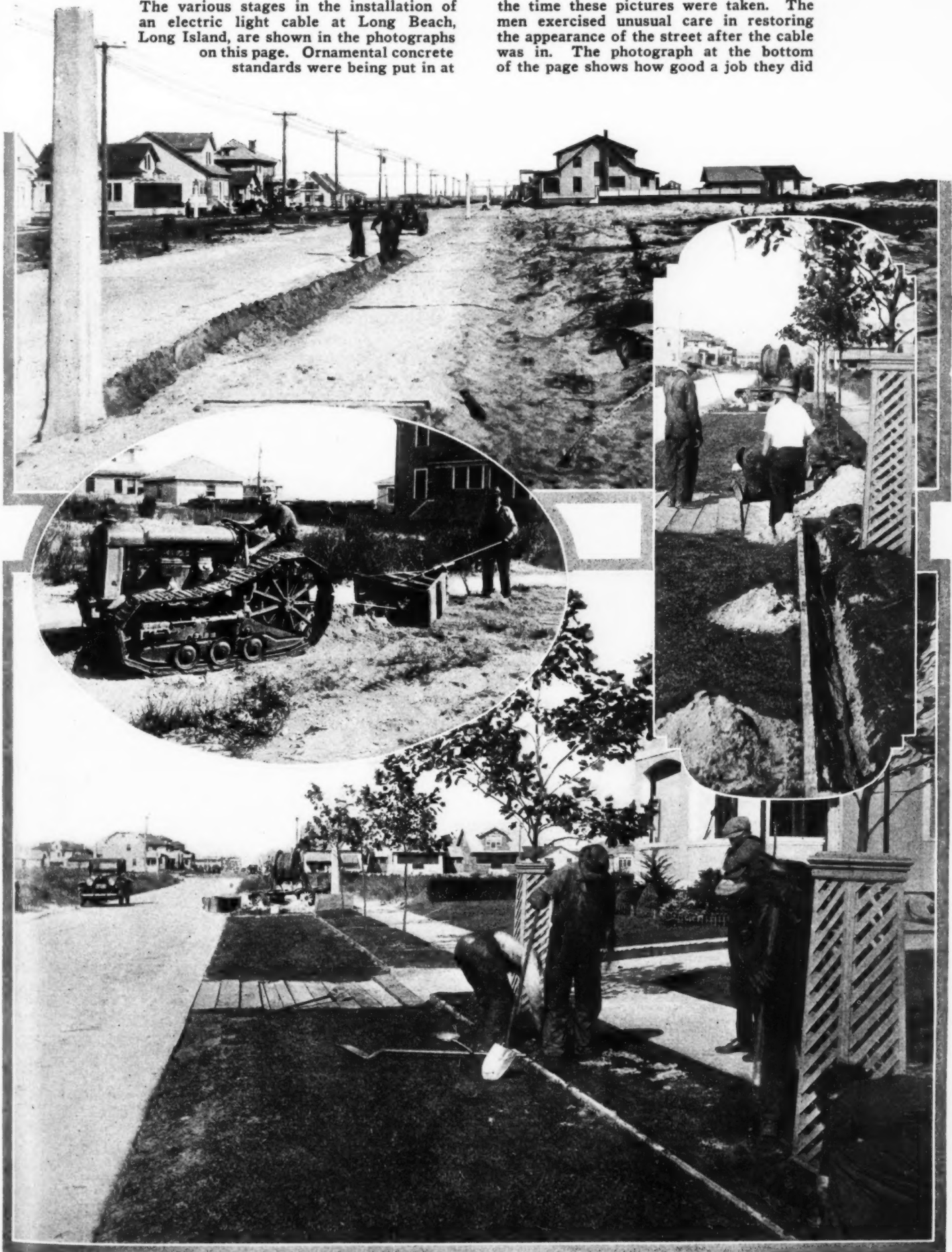




# Cable Laying in a Residence District

The various stages in the installation of an electric light cable at Long Beach, Long Island, are shown in the photographs on this page. Ornamental concrete standards were being put in at

the time these pictures were taken. The men exercised unusual care in restoring the appearance of the street after the cable was in. The photograph at the bottom of the page shows how good a job they did



# Construction Methods Shown

First Prize  
\$25.00

Michigan Sewer, Kansas  
Dam Gain



**T**HE winner of the first prize of \$25.00 in the April photographic contest is W. B. Fisk, Sewer Department field man in the office of the City Engineer of Jackson, Michigan. The two photographs on this page were taken by him on the Eggleston Trunk sewer being built for the city of Jackson by the firm of Anderson & Campbell, contracting engineers. On this job the contractors put two Northwest cranes to work handling the job by the open cut sewer method.

The section of the sewer where this method was used was through undeveloped territory, and consequently, the contractors were not crowded for room as is often the case. The soil was of a more or less stable nature which permits of this method. It was chiefly sandy loam overlying a layer of gravel which contained occasional outcroppings of the clay beneath. During the laying of this section practically no water was encountered.

Shortly after the job was started a night crew was placed on the small crane and they took a preliminary cut along the line of the sewer. In the daytime, the large machine, which was equipped with a dragline, followed along, and from the bottom of this first cut dug down to the grade of the sewer and laid the pipe. The small machine assisted in this operation by piling back the earth as the large machine removed it.

Two Northwest cranes working together and digging a deep sewer





# in Prize-Winning Photographs

Bridge and Pennsylvania

April Awards



**T**HE construction superintendent of the job shown is the winner of the second photographic prize of \$15.00. His name is B. F. Wiggins, and he is in charge of the building of a highway bridge across the Arkansas River at Arkansas City, Kansas, under the direction of the state highway department. The Western Bridge Company of Harrisonville, Mo., is the contractor. The photograph shows one of the completed piers built to Kansas specifications.

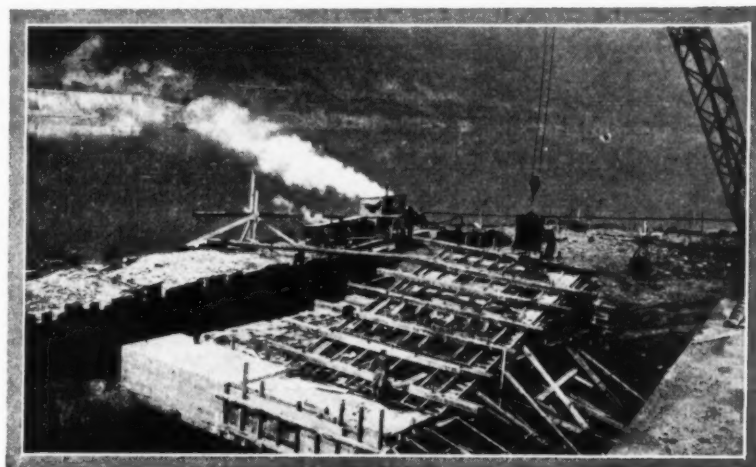
The excavation for this pier was carried to the

depth of 23 ft. 4 in. below the water level to a hard stratum of what is known as red bed. The bridge itself consists of four spans, each 140 ft. in length and being built exactly like the others. Work was begun early in 1926 and at the time these pictures were taken last month, the job was nearly finished. The bridge is on U. S. highway No. 77 which carries traffic to the main road leading into Oklahoma.

Second Prize

\$15.00

**A**NOTHER job that has been carried on through the winter months wins the third prize of \$10.00 for George F. Daugherty of Kittanning, Pennsylvania. The photograph shows the placing of concrete on a section of Dam No. 5 on the Allegheny River. This job is being handled by the Dravo Contracting Company, and this particular photograph was taken in midwinter, despite the fact that the river is free of ice.



Third Prize

\$10.00

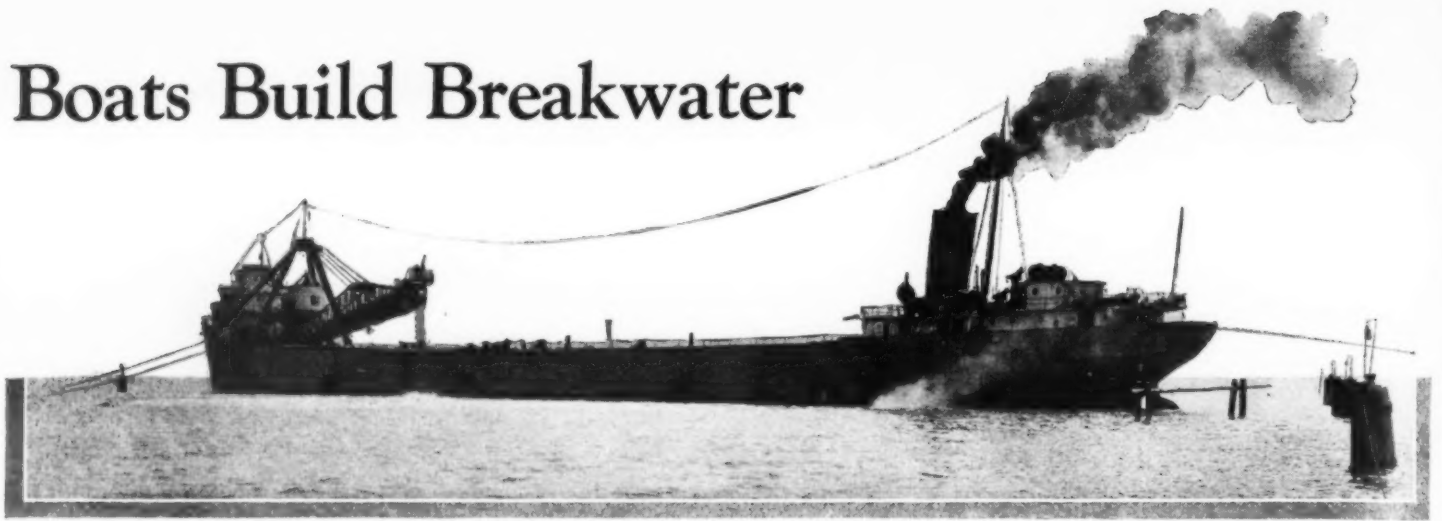
Funds for five dams on the Allegheny have been provided by Congress and work on several of them is now under way. Work on Dam No. 5 began last summer. This dam is situated at Freeport.

## Our Money Is Up for May—Bring on Your Photographs

**N**OW that spring is here and new construction is beginning all over the country, the competition for the three photographic prizes offered each month by *Successful Construction Methods* will be keener than ever. Remember that three prizes are awarded each month, \$25.00 for the photograph most suited to the needs of *Successful Construction Methods*, \$15.00 for the second best and \$10.00 for the third best. If you have a camera, try for a prize.

The conditions remain as before. The photographs must be taken by a man actually employed on the job and should be sent to *Successful Construction Methods*, Tenth Avenue at Thirty-sixth Street, New York City, by Monday, April 11, and plainly marked Photographic Contest. Photographs received after that date will be entered in the June contest. *Successful Construction Methods* will pay for all non-prize-winning photographs which it uses.

# Boats Build Breakwater



**S**TONE handling on a grand scale is under way at Milwaukee, Wis., where the Edward E. Gillen Co. is building an extension to the outer harbor breakwater. Two great steamers, each more than 500 ft. in length and equipped with belt conveyors, are placing the stone at a rate that would be impossible with the methods used in the past.

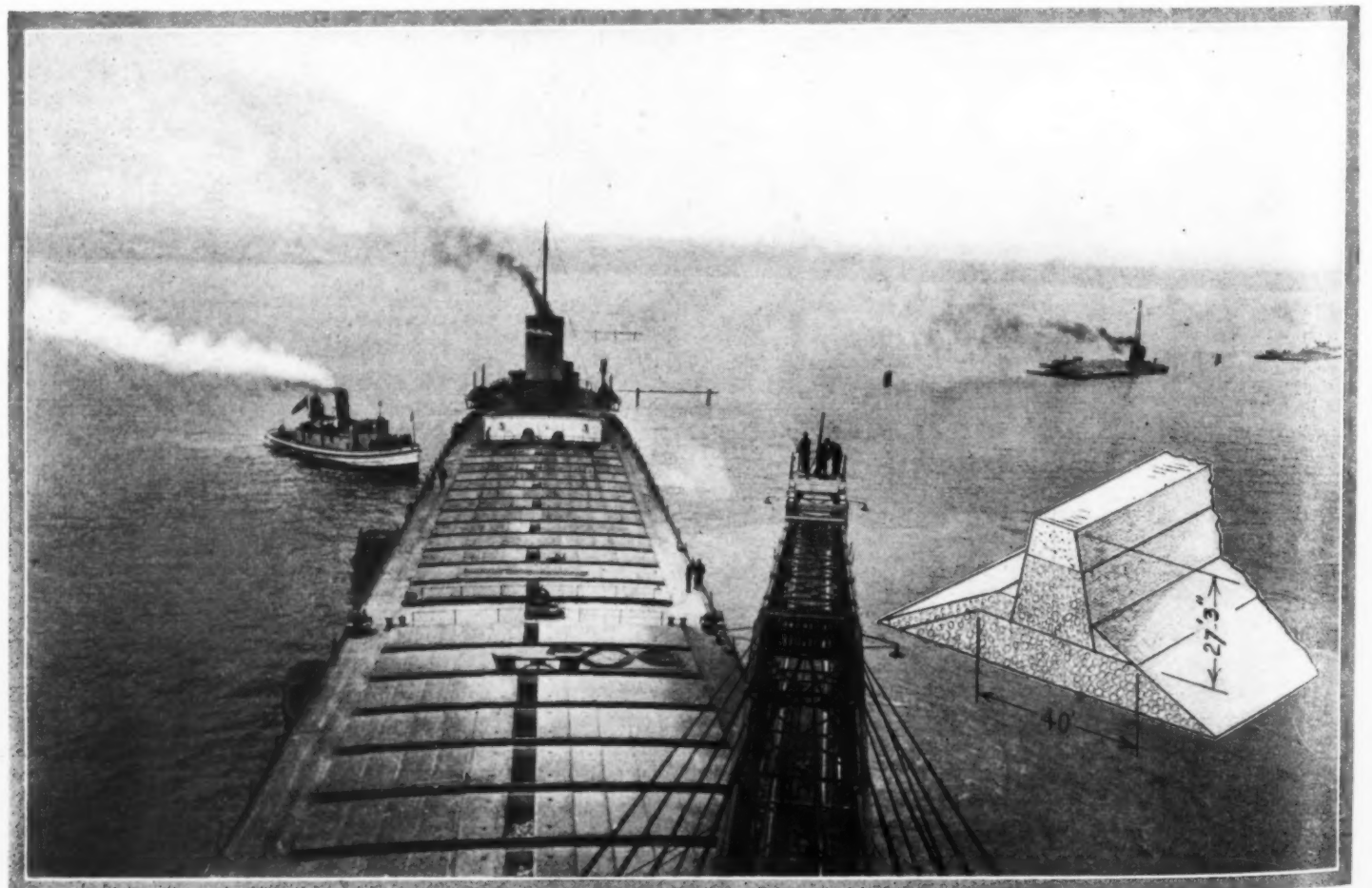
The Gillen Company recently were the successful bidders on the third contract of this character awarded by the U. S. Government at Milwaukee. This contract amounted to \$519,000. The length of the proposed breakwater is 2,430 lin.ft. The time set for the completion of this work is three years. The work was let August 3, 1926, and up to this time more than 80,000 tons of the foundation stone have been unloaded by the self-unloader boat.

The total quantities involved are as follows:

Class I stone—(hand size) foundation....	120,000 tons
—Caisson filling .....	22,500 tons
Class II stone—500 lb. to 3,000 lb. each....	25,000 tons
Concrete .....	7,065 yards
Caissons placed .....	45

The method of doing this work is as follows: Pile clusters were driven along the length of this work about 40 ft. from the center line. These acted as a guide for the self-unloader boat. The unloader boat was placed along these clusters and moved slowly along the work as the stone was unloaded. The correct elevation of the foundation is determined by constant sounding off the end of the unloading boom. After the stone is placed by boat, the top of

Steamer B. H. Taylor unloading stone for Milwaukee breakwater. A cross-section of the breakwater is shown in the sketch at the right





the foundation is again trimmed by means of derricks and divers until the correct elevation is obtained. The concrete caissons are then placed on the foundation and filled with stone. The tops of the caissons are about 4 ft. above water. These are then capped with a concrete superstructure.

The depth of the water is approximately 35 ft. The foundation is 40 ft. wide on top with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 side slopes. The top of the foundation is 19.75 ft. below government datum or approximately 18 ft. under water.

The unloader boats used were the steamers B. H. Taylor and T. W. Robinson, owned and operated by the Bradley Transportation Co. The stone is furnished by the Michigan

Limestone & Chemical Company. The boats are respectively 531 ft. and 588 ft. long. They carry from 10,000 to 12,500 net tons. The T. W. Robinson's actual unloading time for 12,500 net tons is approximately 5 hours with a belt unloading capacity of 2,580 tons per hour, or 43 tons per minute.

Where formerly 1,000 tons were placed by dump scow in a day, the boats now place 12,000 tons in 5 hours.

This work is under the direct supervision of the U. S. Government Engineers at Milwaukee, Major John J. Kingman being in charge of this district. The work has been under the direct supervision of Edward E. Gillen who pioneered this method of placing stone.

## Removing an Old Pivot Pier to Clear Channel

### Piles Pulled Through Base With Steam Hammer

*By E. D. Clement, President, Salmons-Clement Co.,  
Charleston, S. C.*

**I**N DEMOLISHING the old highway bridge across Wappoo Cut near Charleston, S. C., the old pivot pier which supported the swing draw span had to be entirely removed as it was obstructing the new south channel due to the fact that this channel was widened when the new bridge was built.

The old pier was a steel cylinder filled with concrete and measuring 16 ft. in diameter and 18 ft. from top to bottom. It was supported on twenty timber piles which projected up into the concrete about 2 ft. above low water mark.

Record time was made in removing the pier by the following method: Holes were drilled in the top of the pier at a 45-deg. angle toward the center; 3 ft. apart and on a circle the radius of which was about 6 ft. The holes were loaded with three sticks of dynamite each and blasted.

The spoil was removed with an orange-peel bucket operated from a floating derrick and the blasting operation repeated until the supporting piles were exposed for approximately 2 ft. of their lengths. When this point was reached the top of the concrete was about mean low water.

One of the smaller piles was then selected for pulling and holes drilled alongside of it for a depth of 7 ft. A charge of two sticks was placed in each hole and fired. A reversible McKiernan-Terry steam hammer, No. 7, was attached to the pile and the pulling begun. After about two hours the pile started up and soon reached a point where it could be handled with the load line from the derrick boom.

A charge of explosives was then fired in the hole left by the pile and the nearest pile was next pulled and so on until all of the piles were removed.



The pile shown above was driven thirty years ago

New highway bridge across Wappoo Cut near Charleston, S. C. This bridge built after the channel had been widened replaced an old structure. The contractors who handled the work were the Salmons-Clement Co. of Charleston



Removing piles from old pier with steam hammer







CP 100 ft. Compressor and 2 CP Pavement Breakers at work for Atwell, Gustin, Morris Corp'n. making cut for gas mains (in connection with subway construction) at St. Nicholas Avenue and 135th Street, New York City.



CP Sinker Drills in use by Rizzetta & Notta (in connection with 300 ft. CP Portable Compressor) on Rock Excavation in New York City. Drills shown at work on 8 ft. cut, have service records of 8½ hrs. daily average over a period of seven months.



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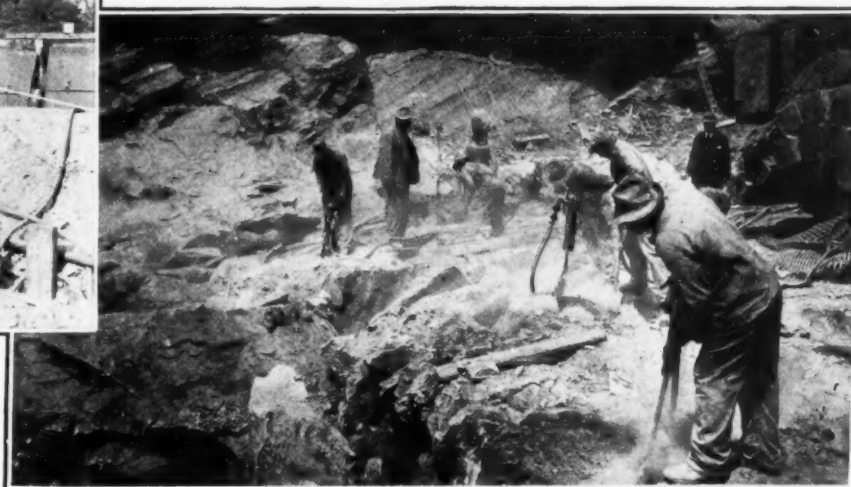
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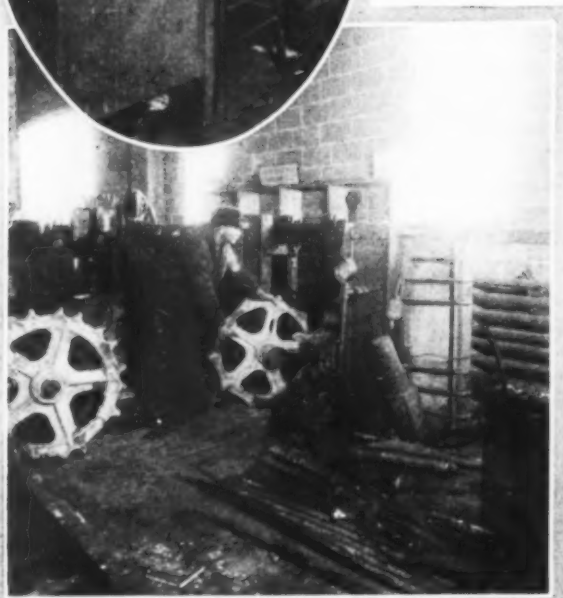
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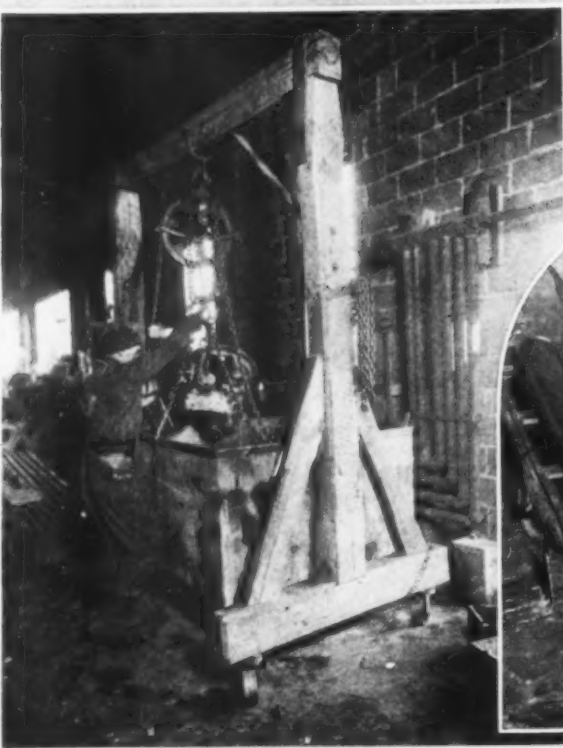


At left—A cost clerk has his desk in the shop where he can keep in touch with all overhauling and repairs



Above—The power press in this photograph is used in getting gears into shape for the season's work

Below—Parts are dipped in this steam washing tank to remove grease and grit



Above—All of the batch boxes are checked over and put in shape

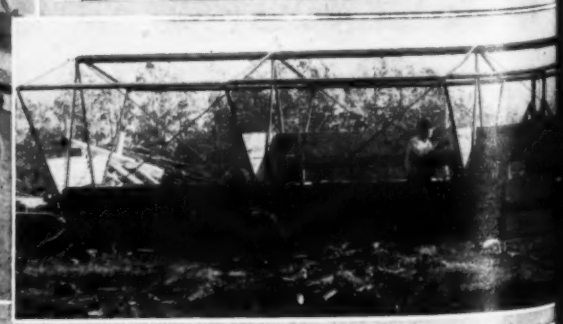
Below—At work in the shop on a



The odd looking contrivance below is a



Below—A little welding is necessary now and then





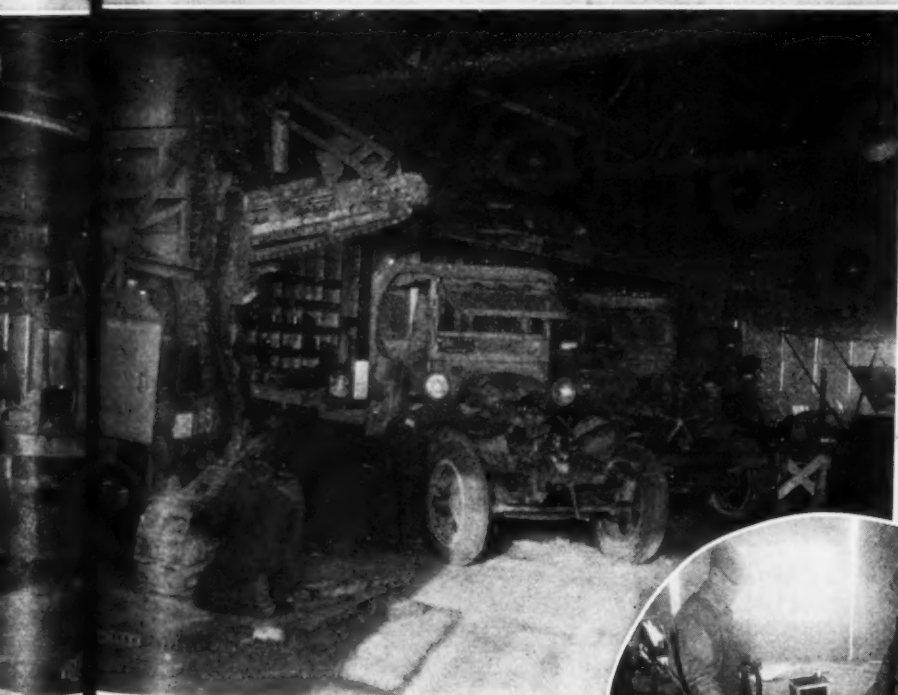
# Means Profits Later

Gus Scharl, Road Contractor, Gets Ready  
for His 1927 Campaign

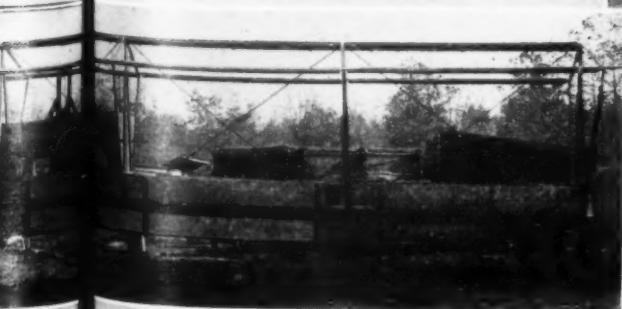


Barber-Greene ditcher and two big trucks

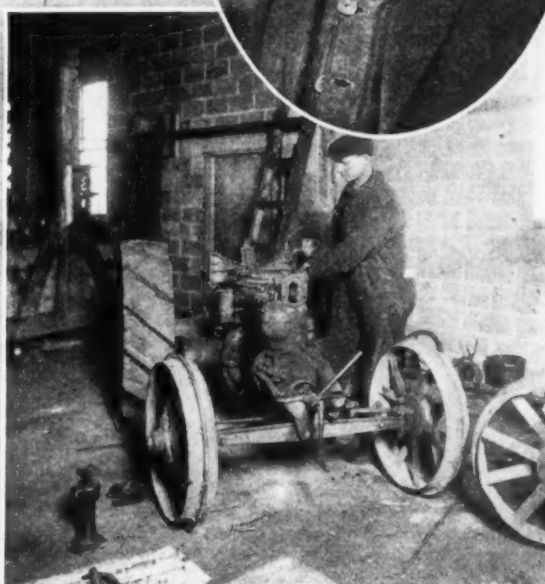
The small photograph directly below shows men oiling harness



portable barn with a capacity of 20 horses

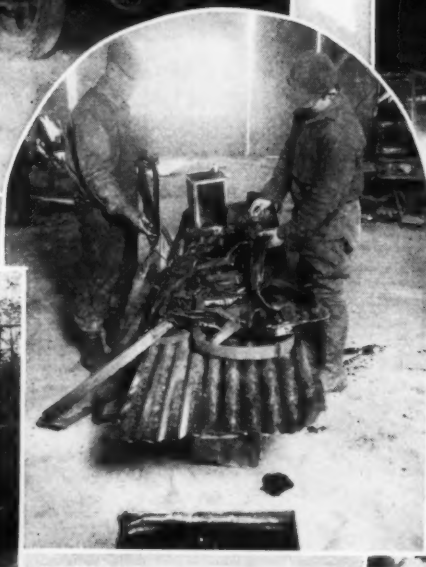
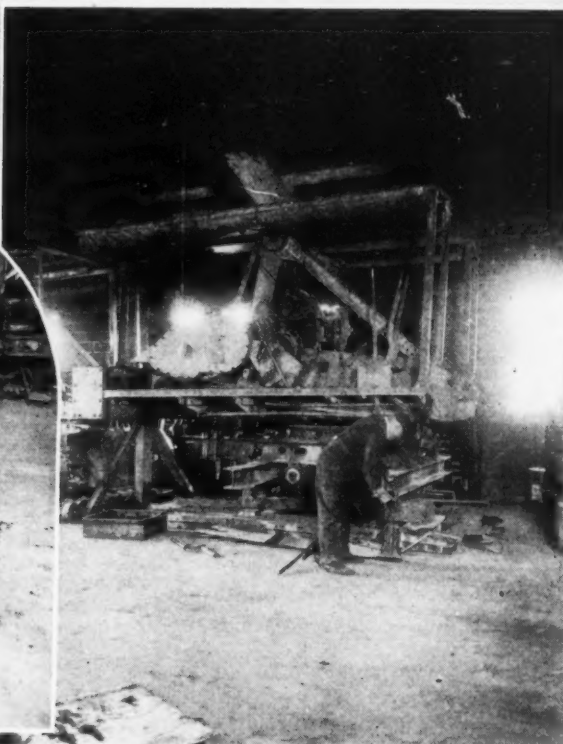


At right—John Paas, shop superintendent



Above—A Fordson tractor receives its full share of attention

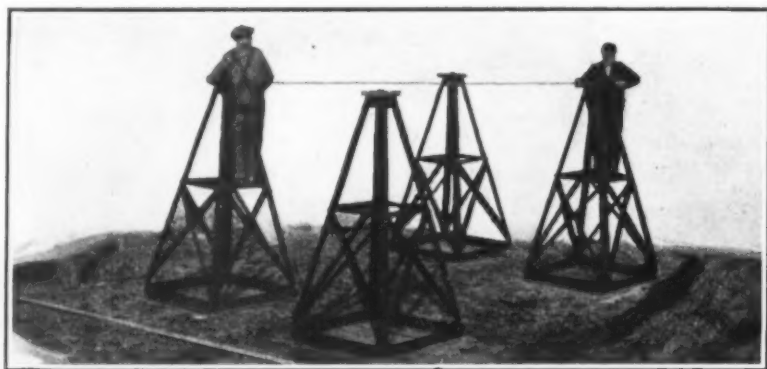
Below—A thorough job is done in overhauling a big Northwest shovel



# Step-by-Step Field Methods—How



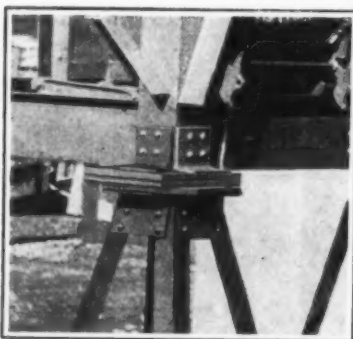
**1** IN SETTING UP a Blaw-Knox pedestal type bin and batcher plant the ground is first leveled off and timber mats are provided. For average soil conditions the mats are made of two layers of 3-in. plank spiked together and crossed, 5 ft. square. A mat of this kind under each pedestal provides 25 sq.ft. of bearing area or a total of 100 sq.ft. for the bin. On these timber mats the—



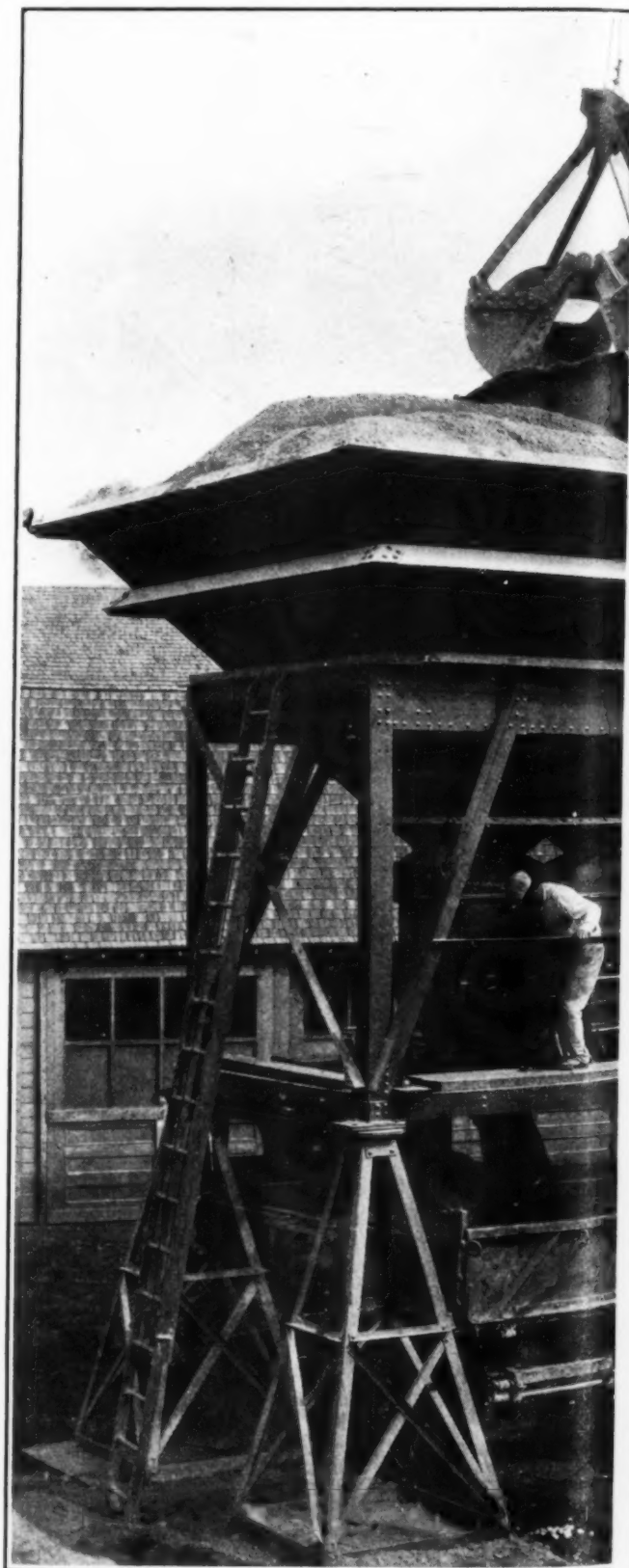
**2** PEDESTAL SUPPORTS, 4 ft. 6 in. square at the bottom, are accurately placed to distribute the load at each corner of the bin. The position is carefully checked with erection blueprints furnished with each bin. Pedestals are now ready to receive the—



**3** MIDDLE UNIT of the batcher plant which is received on the job completely equipped with batchers or with the inundation system. It is lowered into place on the pedestals by a crane, stiff-leg derrick or other hoisting equipment, or it can be rolled onto the pedestal from a flat car without use of crane.



**4** DETAIL OF CONNECTION between middle unit and pedestal involves square lug in pedestal which fits into square aperture in bearing plate of middle section of bin, locating placement of this section. This operation takes place simultaneously on all four pedestals. It is then optional with contractor whether or not to take advantage of additional fastenings, for which bolt holes are provided in the bearing plates. All pedestals are interchangeable.



**8** COMPLETED self-cleaning type of Blaw-Knox steel portable batcher plant equipped with adjustable measuring batchers for sand and stone. This plant operated by the H. J. Mullen Construc-

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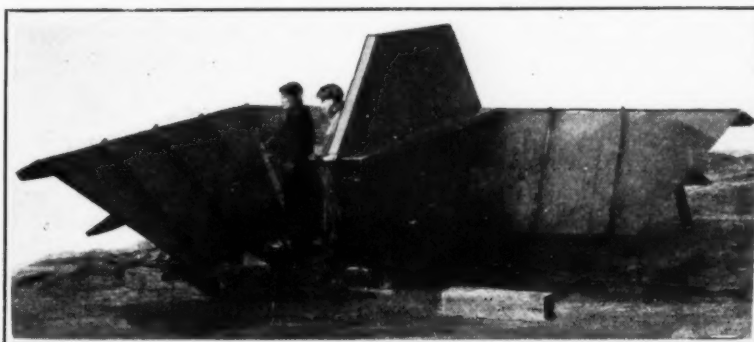
# to ERECT A PEDESTAL TYPE BIN



tion Co., Amityville, Long Island, New York, as a central proportioning plant for a large road job. Ground operation is illustrated in this view but plants can be equipped for platform operation if desired.



**5** MIDDLE SECTION and pedestals are now ready for installation of the steel bin extension.



**6** STEEL EXTENSIONS for batcher plants are shipped in five large, easily assembled sections, requiring a minimum number of bolts for assembling. These extensions, completely assembled, including the center partition, form a solid complete unit which is lifted into place with a crane.

**7** COMPLETELY ASSEMBLED extensions and partitions are next lowered into place. After inserting the few bolts required to secure these extensions in place, the plant is ready for operation. The whole process of erection requires only a few hours' time, which is inconsiderable compared to days spent in fabricating or assembling a bin under old-fashioned methods.





# Cleaning Out a Condensing Pond

## Movable Bridge and Floating Crane Handle Job

By G. W. Maker, Aberthaw Co., Boston, Mass.

**T**HE removal of silt which had been accumulating for 25 years in a condensing pond owned by the Russell & Erwin Company of Boston was undertaken recently by the Aberthaw Company of Boston, under the direction of Charles S. Norris, Chief Engineer of the American Hardware Corp., and a rather unusual method of handling the work was adopted.

The pond is 580 ft. long, generally rectangular in shape, with an average width of approximately 200 ft. A railroad on one side, a street on the other, and factory buildings at each end left practically no working area and made the use of drag line or hydraulic equipment out of the question. The study finally boiled down to a floating crane as excavating equipment. This decision considered the use of bin pontoons to take the excavated material and this in turn suggested the possibility of bridging the pond with a line of pontoons.

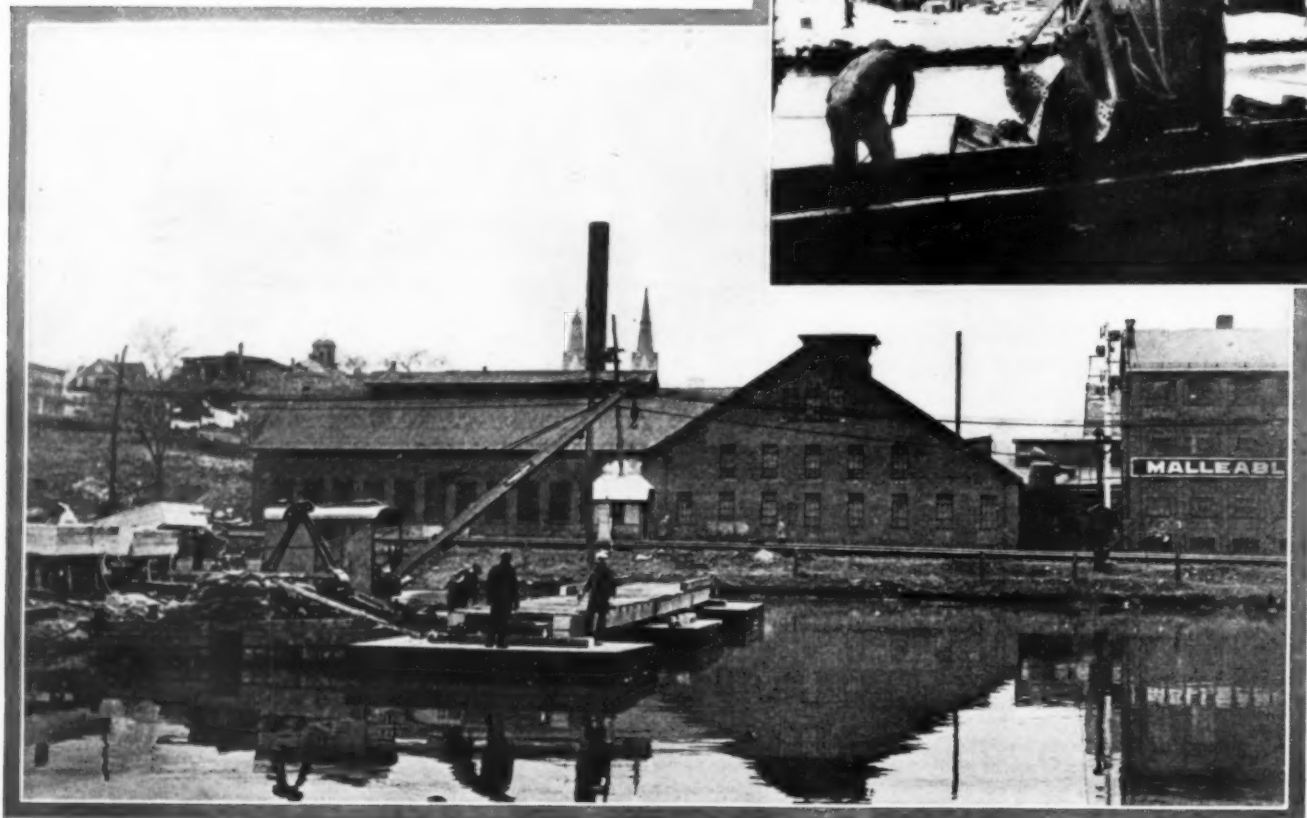
The seven bridge pontoons are practically wooden boxes 12 ft. by 16 ft., and 2 ft. deep, substantially constructed of 2-in. plank with two parallel solid bulkheads approximately under the line of the bridge stringers. Two 6-in. blocks across each pontoon were held in place by eyebolts running completely through the pontoon with nut and washer on the bottom. A rod through these eyebolts and through the bridge stringers held the bridge in place on the pontoons and at the same time allowed the necessary flexibility. The

bridge itself was a simple affair of 12 by 12 stringers, supporting a deck of 3-in. plank with a guard strip on each edge. Small openings were left in the deck to facilitate snow removal. The construction of pontoons and bridge required the services of eight carpenters for three weeks.

The excavating equipment consisted of a Universal crane, owned by the Lee Crane Service Co. of Boston, gasoline driven, handling a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -yd. clamshell bucket with teeth. The crane was supported across one end of a pair of small scows each 30 ft. long, 8 ft. wide and 4 ft. deep. About 8 tons of pig iron on the opposite end of this pair of scows counterbalanced the crane.

This arrangement worked out even better than was anticipated. The six 1-yd. Ford trucks, which took the excavated material to the dump  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi. away, moved along the railroad bank light and out on the bridge, where they received their load, thence to the road on the opposite side of the pond and to the dump. The crane covered a width of approximately

The construction of a movable bridge is shown in the lower photograph, with the crane helping out. Pontoons are being built at the left. The small picture at the right shows the crane picking up the landing span with the teeth of the bucket





Crane loading small truck which stands on movable bridge

15 ft. in each passage across the pond, which required approximately three days, in which time about 500 yd. of material was excavated.

The bridge was moved with surprising ease in about 40 min. The process of moving involved a small amount of grading at each bank and the placing of light sills to take the landing spans. The bridge was then moved one end at a time, the crane picking up the landing span while the bridge was warped into place by ropes. The operating force consisted of only four laborers in addition to the crane operator, two of these laborers being employed at the dump.

The excavated material was a fairly thick muck, in which

was embedded a considerable amount of debris. The water did not seem to drain readily when the bucket came up, and it was suggested that an orange-peel bucket would give better results. The bucket was accordingly changed and showed an interesting development. The material was sufficiently deep so that when the orange-peel was dropped it was completely embedded in the soft muck which held until the line broke. The clamshell bucket was then put back.

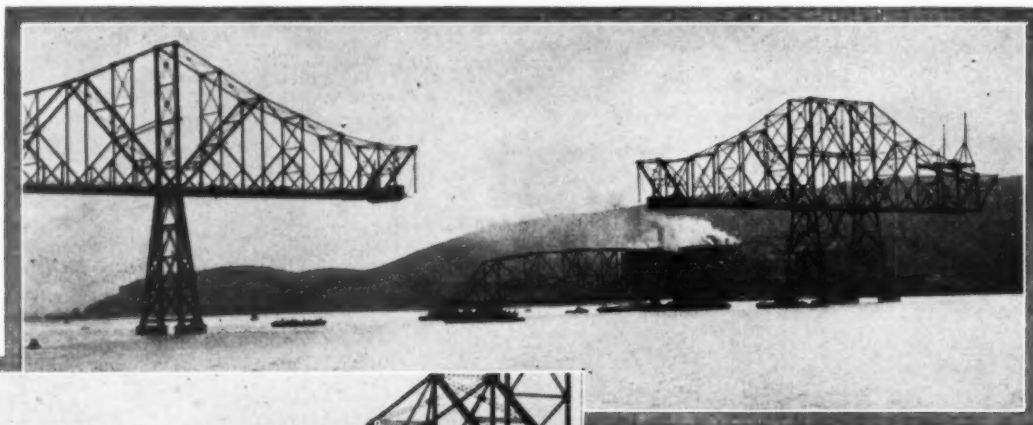
The excavation was completed at a total cost of \$1.75 per yd., which includes the total cost of the bridge without allowance for salvage, as well as the rental of the crane and a trucking cost of 55 cents a yard.

A general view of the pond with the crane at work

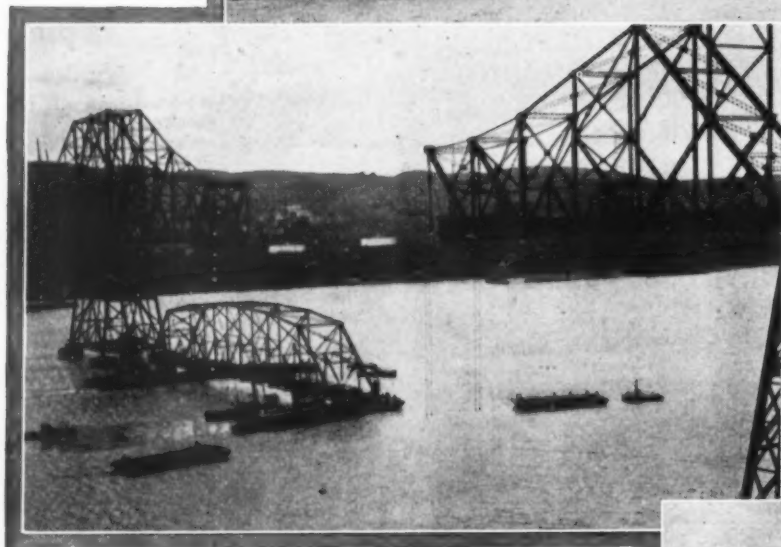




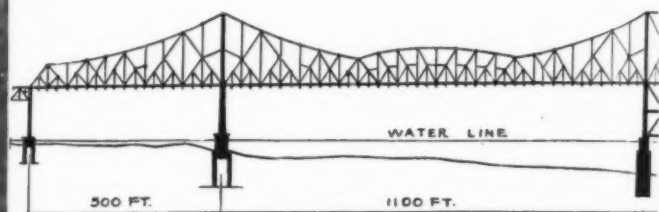
# Raising Suspended Span of Highway Bridge



Span arriving under bridge supported on two steel barges. Four 500-ton hydraulic jacks on each barge supported span



Tugs maneuver span into position. This photograph was taken at 11:30 a.m.



As the span was lifted free of the barges at 2:30 p.m., the tugs blew their whistles to announce the fact that the 750-ton structure was on its way up



One hour later at 12:30 the work of knocking away timber shoring allowing jacks to lower span and haul cables taut was under way



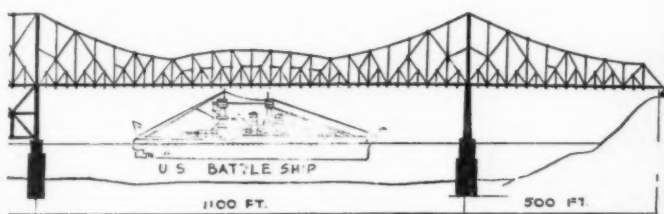
These photographs were taken by Philip Thayer of Piedmont, California, who made a complete series of 50 pictures showing the raising of the span which took place on March 3d. Mr. Thayer sent these photographs to *Successful Construction Methods* because he thought that the readers of this magazine would be interested in a pictorial story of this interesting operation.



# Across Carquinez Strait Near San Francisco



As the span went up, the barges were moved away. The four counterweights, each filled with five carloads of sand, may be seen on their way down



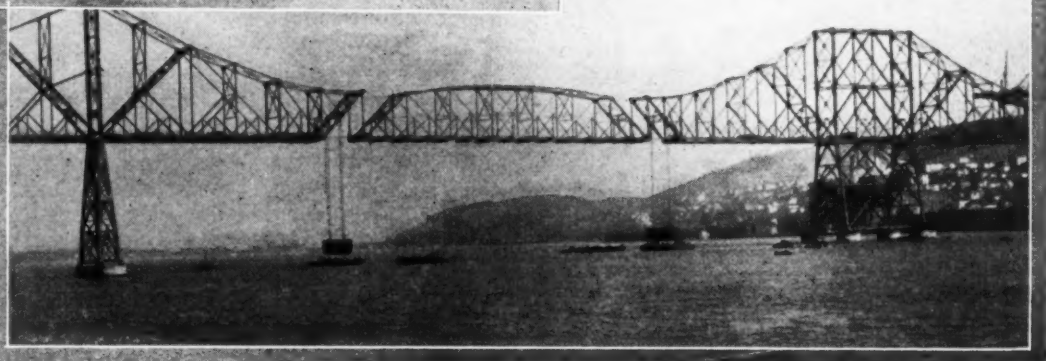
At 3:10 the span was in position and the pins which held it in place were being driven



When this picture was taken the span was more than half way up and the barges which brought it to the site moved still further away



A few minutes later the counterweights were being emptied and the throng of spectators who had watched the operation for more than four hours were on their way home



# Central Mixing Plant Speeds

**W**HEN the Trustees of the Sanitary District of Chicago let a \$400,000 contract last year for an important intercepting sewer just west of the city, they demanded speed and got it. The contract specified six months in which to do the job. It was finished in three.

The Dowdle Brothers' Co., contractors, cut the construction time in half and incidentally demonstrated the practicability of some novel construction methods. The huge egg-shaped monolithic reinforced concrete drain, 3 ft. 4 in. by 5 ft. in size and 14,000 ft. long, was placed 24 ft. deep. Because of the presence of gas conduits and telephone poles

## Big Job Put Through in Three Months

along one side of the road where the sewer was to go, 7,200 ft., or over half the job, had to be put through in the form of a tunnel; the rest was an open cut. Shafts were sunk every 600 ft. along the tunnel and hoists raised the dirt that was excavated besides carrying men and concrete down to the working levels.

A central mixing plant was used. Constant supplies of sand, stone and cement were maintained at the mixer by the Material Service Corporation. A Ransome mixer, with a 60-ton receiving hopper, divided into compartments for sand and stone; an automatic measuring and proportioning hopper and automatic water control provided properly mixed concrete quickly anywhere along the line. A load could reach the most remote shaft half a mile distant in less than five minutes. Dump trucks with 2-yd. capacity carried the concrete from the mixer to the shafts. "This feature alone reduced our labor for this part of the work from 25 to 15 men and in addition it speeded up operations tremendously," reports J. J. Dowdle, secretary of the company.

The central mixing plant at the left handled the concrete for the tunnel work. The Koehring paver on the right took care of the open cut section



The photograph at the bottom of the page shows one of the shafts





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# Construction of Chicago Sewer

This big Austin trencher dug out 2 cu.yd. per minute. The photograph at the bottom of the page shows a typical section of sewer



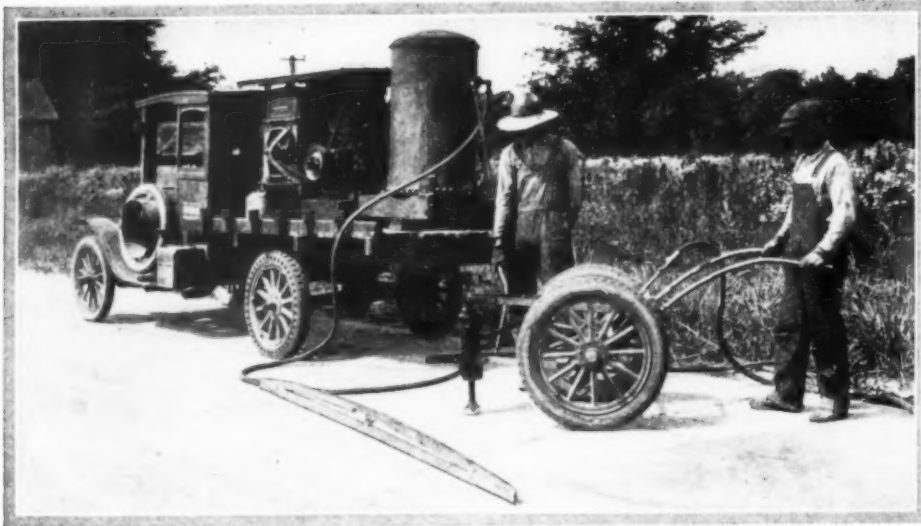
Rapid results in digging the open cuts followed use of the giant 130-hp. Austin trencher—the largest one made and said to be the only one of that size in the Chicago district.

A systematic organization of men likewise helped to push the work. For example, one Sullivan air compressor served two shafts. Three shifts of workers insured continuous progress day and night. From 4 p.m. to 8 a.m. men mined. From 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. another crew concreted.

The work was supervised by E. J. Kelly, Chief Engineer of the Sanitary District, with Larry Rice as Resident Engineer on the job. Universal cement was furnished by the Material Service Corporation, Chicago.



# Motor Truck Equipment for

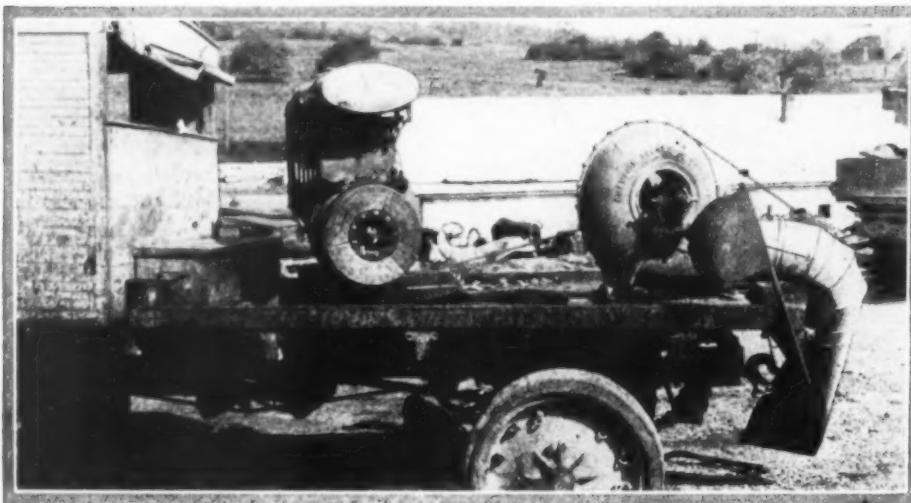


**BUSHHAMMER** used by Illinois Division of Highways for removing high spots from concrete pavement. Hammer is operated by air from hose line to compressor mounted on motor truck.

A few of the special attachments and ingenious devices that representative state highway departments have applied to



**CORE DRILL** mounted on truck for taking samples of completed concrete pavement in Illinois. Note drill hole and core standing beside it.



**FOR BLOWING** dust from roadway surface before applying bituminous material. Virginia Highway Commission has equipped trucks with gasoline-engine driven blowers.



**REAR END** of truck shown in preceding photo, indicating how exhaust piping is led from blower to road surface.



**BLOWER TRUCK**, above illustrated, is also used, with trailers, to haul bituminous materials.

# Highway Maintenance Work

motor trucks to adapt them particularly to maintenance requirements and snow removal work (see also next two pages).



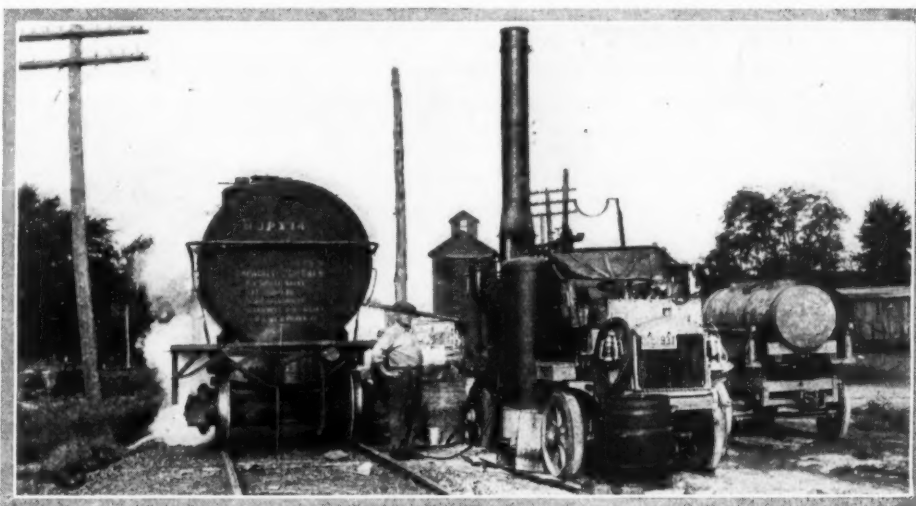
**CENTER-LINE MARKING** device perfected by C. N. Maurer, mechanical engineer of the Wisconsin Highway Commission.



**REVOLVING CRANE** mounted on motor truck chassis for ditching work with boom and bucket.



**CHIP and sand spreader** on Virginia Highway Commission truck. Amount of material governed by a hand lever and ratchet. A hand agitator prevents material from clogging.



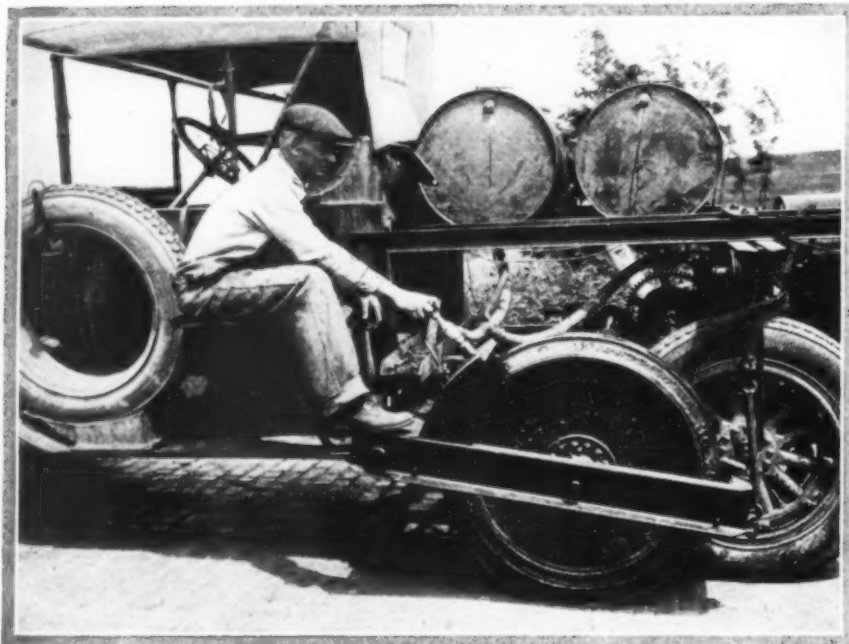
**HEATING OUTFIT**, on motor truck mounting, used in Ohio for bituminous surface treatment operations.

**PRESSURE DISTRIBUTOR** carried on motor truck chassis for bituminous surface treatment work in Ohio.



# Motor Truck Equipment for

More devices and attachments used by state highway depart-



**MARKING** device on Iowa Highway Commission truck for applying center line. Two operators required, one driving truck and one regulating application of paint to marking wheel.



**REAR-END** view of center-line marking machine in preceding photo, Iowa State Highway Commission.



**OUTRIGGER** and guide wheel to keep truck proper distance from pavement edge for center-line marking in Iowa.



**TRUCK-MOUNTED** asphalt and compressor outfit for maintenance in Oklahoma. Cracks, before being filled, are blown out with air from hose line fed by compressor.

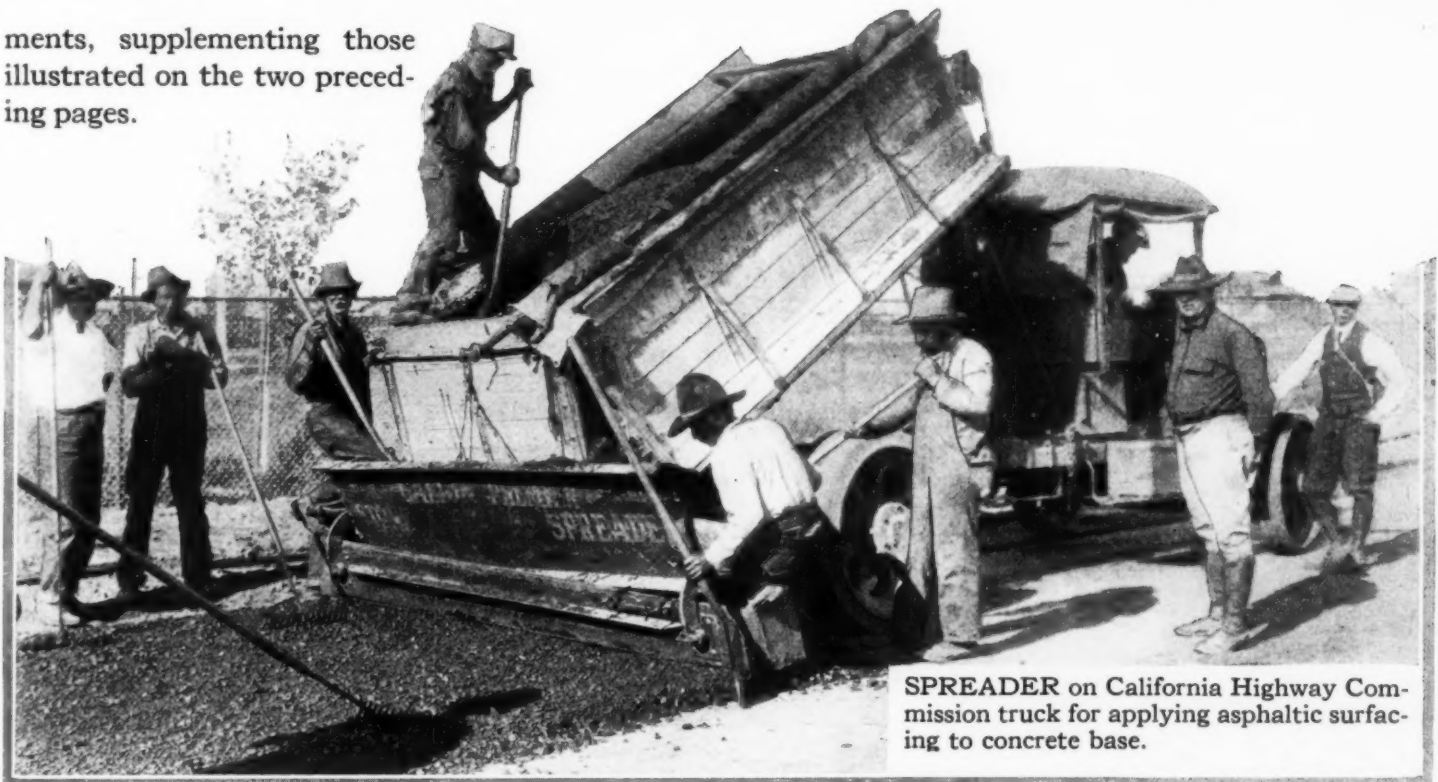


**IN MINNESOTA** "frost boils" are eliminated by thawing holes through frozen ground to permit water to drain. Steam supplied from boiler on truck.



# Highway Maintenance Work

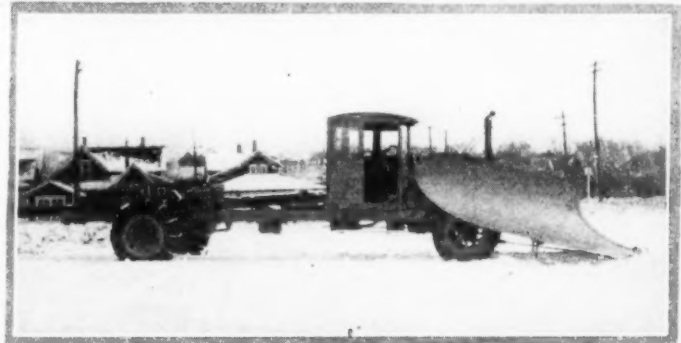
ments, supplementing those illustrated on the two preceding pages.



**SPREADER** on California Highway Commission truck for applying asphaltic surfacing to concrete base.



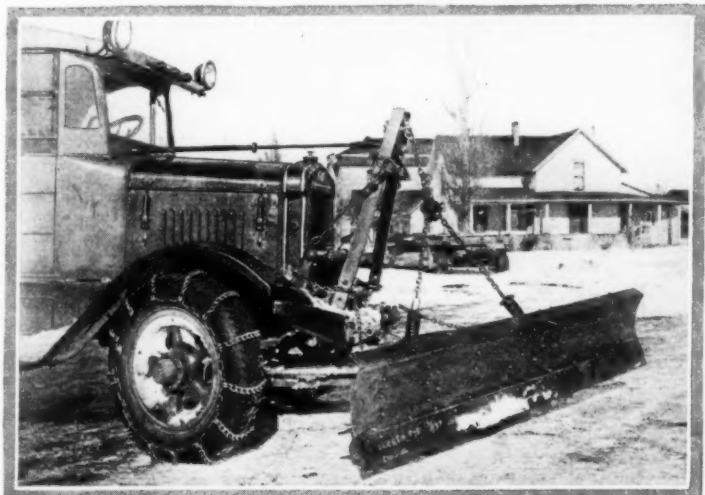
**IN IDAHO**, as in other states, the motor truck is employed by the highway department to haul blade graders for road maintenance.



**MICHIGAN HIGHWAY** motor truck plow lifts deep snow before throwing it aside. Truck operates at 15 to 30 miles per hour.



**PUSHER BLADE** snow-plow rigged to the front end of one of the Maryland State Road Commission's trucks.



**TRUCK** in Michigan with a 10-ft. blade on front of truck for snow work.

At right—The bridge as it looked when it was still carrying traffic

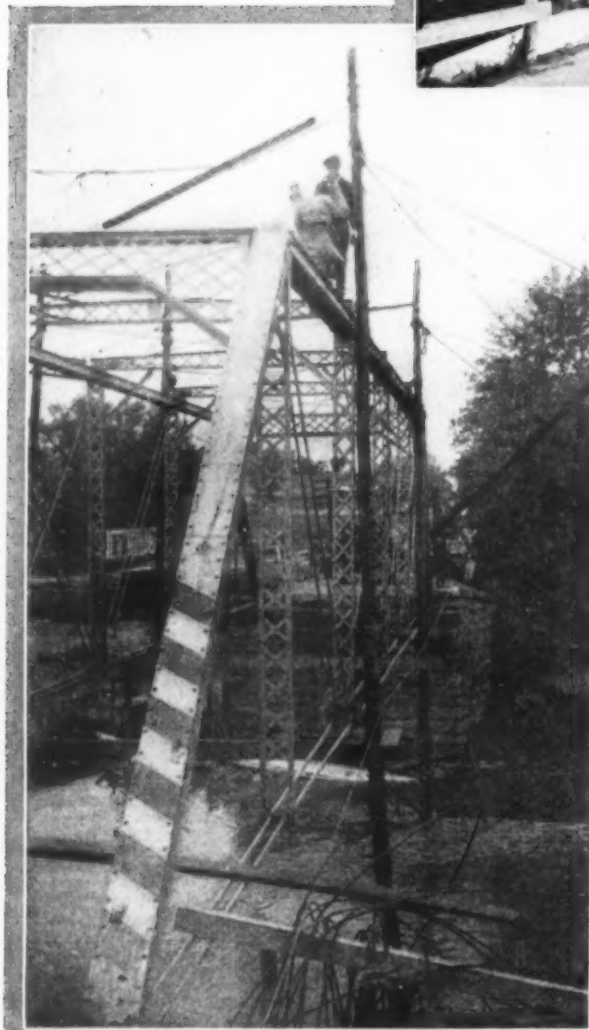


## Taking Down Unusual Methods Adopted

ON A JOB handled recently by the Development & Construction Company of Baltimore, J. C. Little, the chief engineer, encountered the problem of taking down and saving for reerection a steel bridge with a 100-ft. span. This bridge was over the Big Patuxent River at Laurel, Md., a stream noted for its frequent floods when the waters rise from 12 to 15 ft. in the space of a couple of hours and bring down a large variety of drift which has a tremendous velocity.

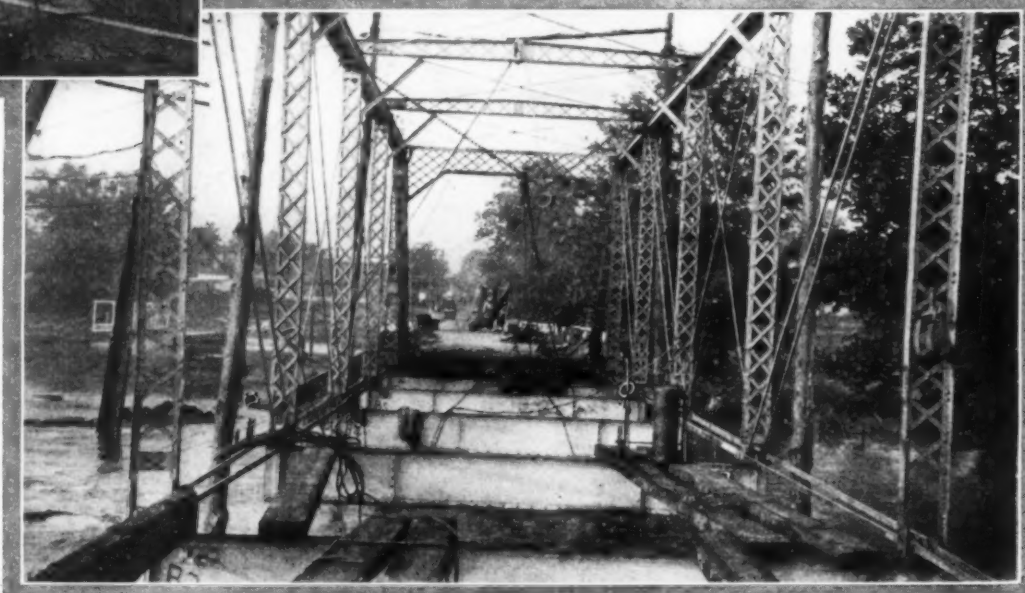
Ordinarily this job would have presented but minor difficulties as it would have been a simple matter to crib up from the stream bed but, due to this prevalence of floods a different method was adopted. When Mr. Little proposed his plan it was received with expressions of doubt and was declared impossible and impractical by several steel men who looked over the job.

The first step was to lash gin poles to the four corners of the bridge and to guy them so they would remain vertical thus developing their full strength. These poles were only 6 to 8 in. in diameter at the butt.

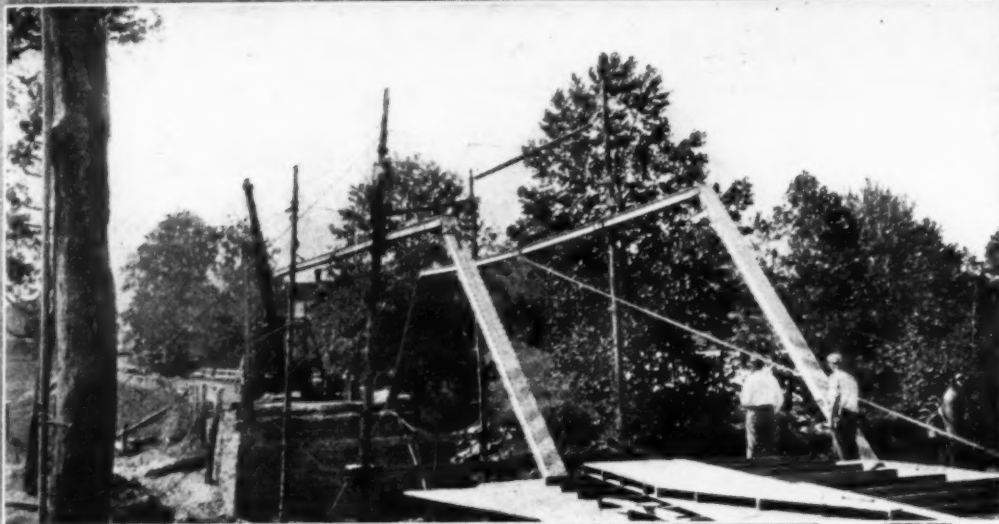


Above—Four gin poles as shown in this photograph were lashed to the four corners of the bridge, great care having been taken to keep them vertical

At right—The floor beams were removed with a chain sling. All members of the bridge were carefully numbered







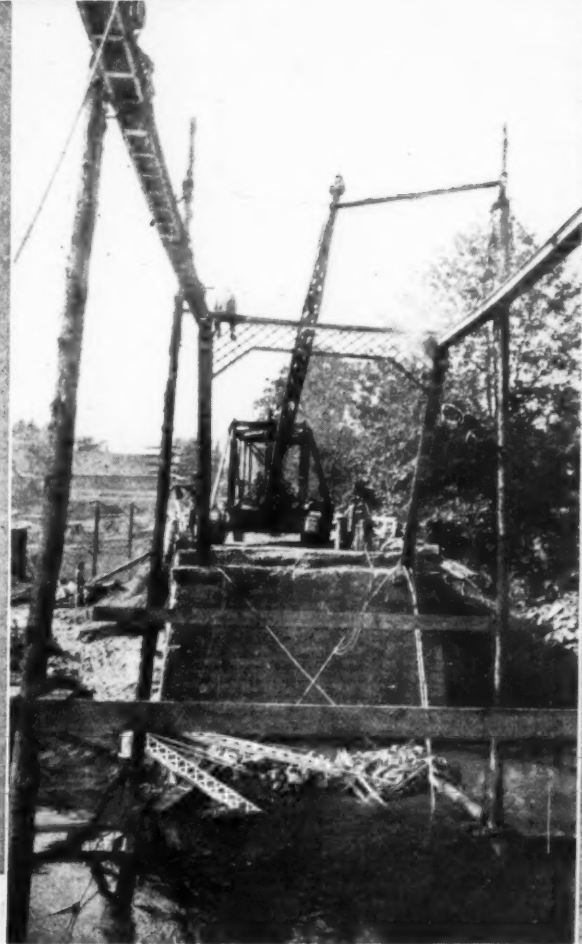
At left—The crane is shown handling one of the heavier end members

## n a Steel Bridge ted to Avoid Danger of Floods

The next step after the removal of the wooden floor was to burn the nuts off of the stirrups which held the steel floor beams in place with an acetylene burner. A chain sling was around each beam which was lowered from its place sufficiently to clear and was then swung lengthwise with the bridge and raised until it could be slid along the other members to the roadbed. All members of the bridge were numbered to facilitate reerection.

The pictures which accompany this article and which were taken by W. Albert Goetz show the various stages of the demolition of the bridge. The three photographs on the opposite page show the early stages of the work including the removal of the floor beams.

After this part of the work had been done a crane was moved up and handled the job of removing some of the heavier end members. The other end members were removed by a block and fall with tag line. The photograph at the right on this page is one of the most interesting of the series as it shows the top and end members still in place and entirely supported by the four gin poles.



Above—The four gin poles are supporting the top and end members of the bridge

At left — The final stages of the work showing the removal of the last pieces of steel





# NEW EQUIPMENT ON THE JOB

## One Man Handles Backfiller

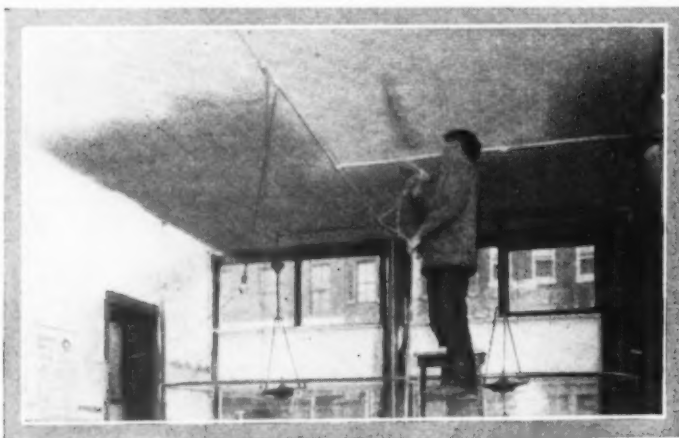
A one-man backfiller has been put on the market by the Baker Steel and Machinery Co. of Omaha, Neb. This machine, which is shown in the accompanying photograph, is powered with a Fordson tractor. The boom furnished with



the machine is 22 ft. in length, but it may be lengthened or shortened in order to suit the work that it is doing. It is also possible to detach the boom and make the tractor available for other work.

## A Three-In-One Paint Spray

The man shown in the accompanying photograph is painting a metal ceiling with the new Milburn paint spray made by the Alexander Milburn Company of Baltimore, Md. This



spray consists of a 3-in-1 gun which can be used either as a siphon-feed, pressure-feed or gravity-feed spray. The multiple head adjustment permits either a flat fan spray in either horizontal or vertical position or a round spray. Only

a simple adjustment is made to change from one to the other.

The spray also can be used for dusting as by raising a trip lever the air only functions and the paint supply is completely cut off. Both the air and paint valves are operated simultaneously. By pulling the trigger paint flows to the atomizing chamber, is expanded and then is driven into the pores of the surface to be covered.

## This Crane Walked Out

The Universal crane shown below looks as though it were hopelessly bogged. That, however, does not happen to be the case. With the aid of the track layer attachment which may be seen on the rear wheels, the crane climbed out of the mud without difficulty.

This track layer has been developed by the U. S. Wheel Track Layer Corporation in co-operation with the Universal Crane Company. The crane shown in the photograph was mounted at Rahway, N. J., and was driven to Atlantic City,



a distance of 120 miles, averaging 16 miles per hour running on the 8 rubber-tired wheels. The crawler tread was then fastened round the wheels and the crane went to work on the excavation for the new Atlantic City Convention Hall.

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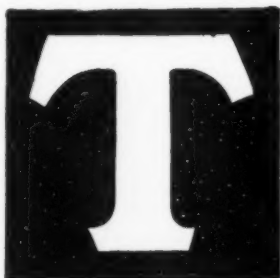
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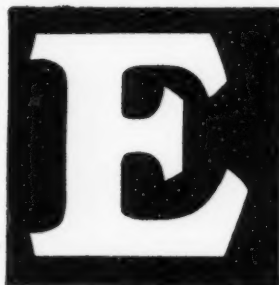
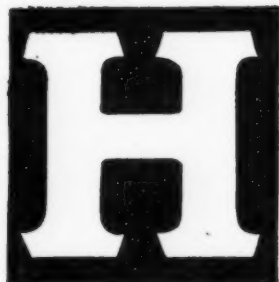
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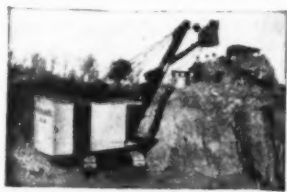
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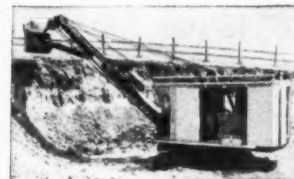
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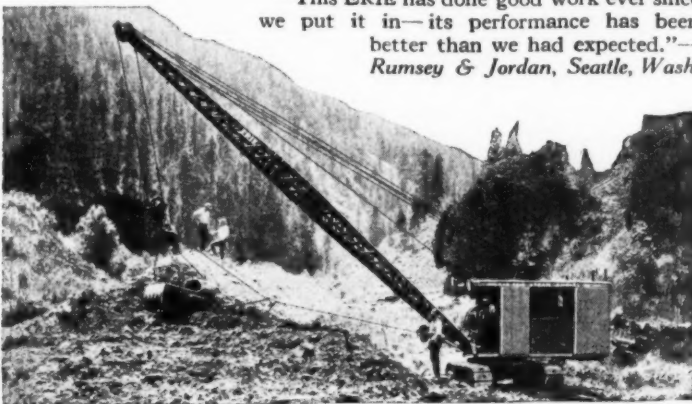
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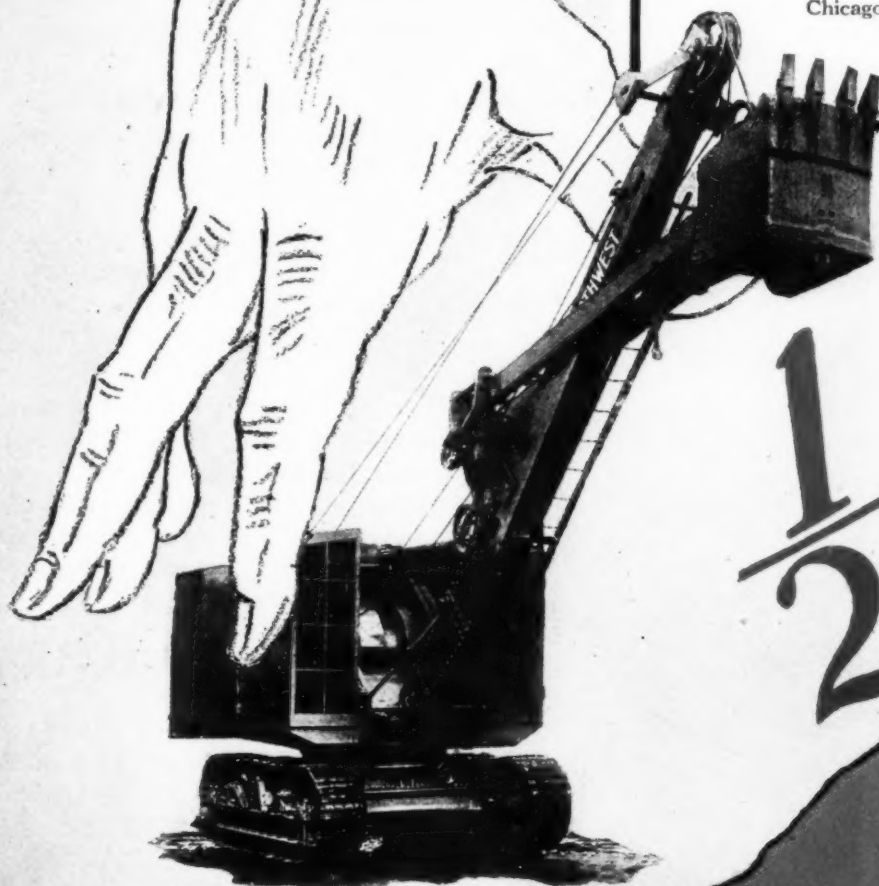
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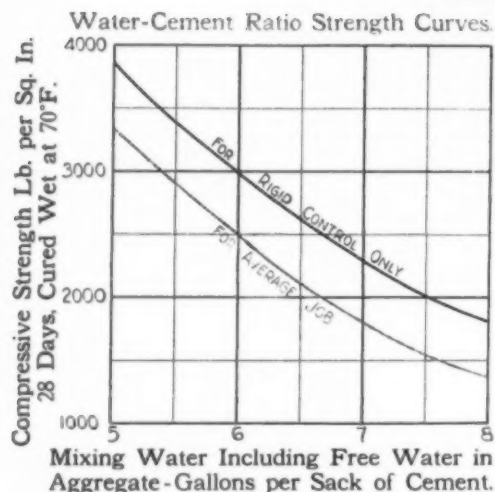
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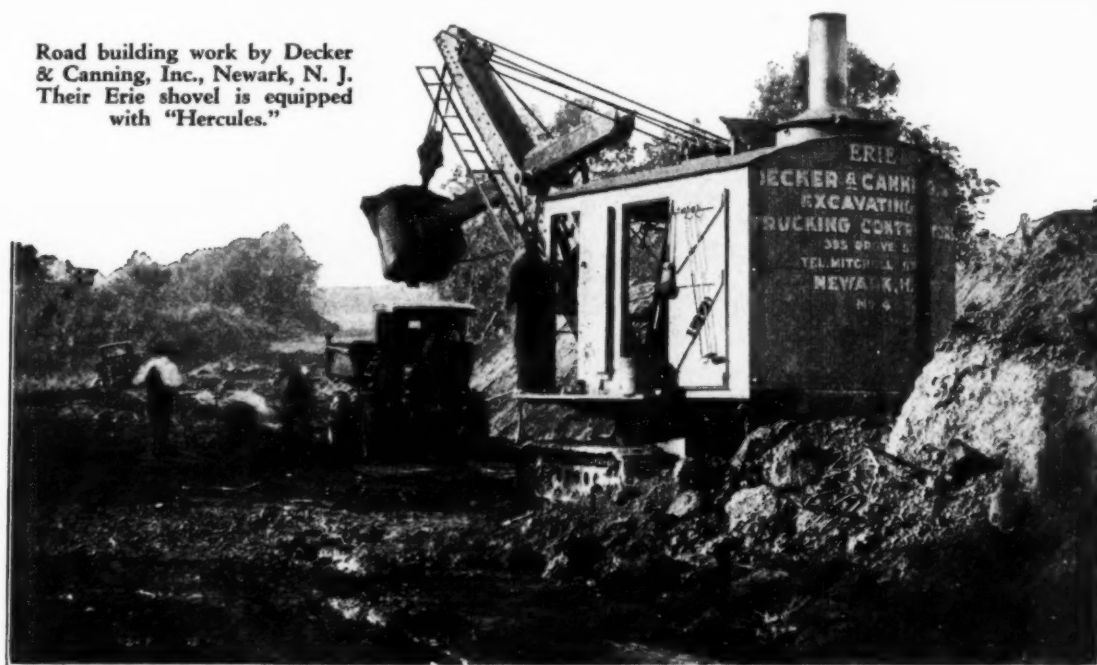
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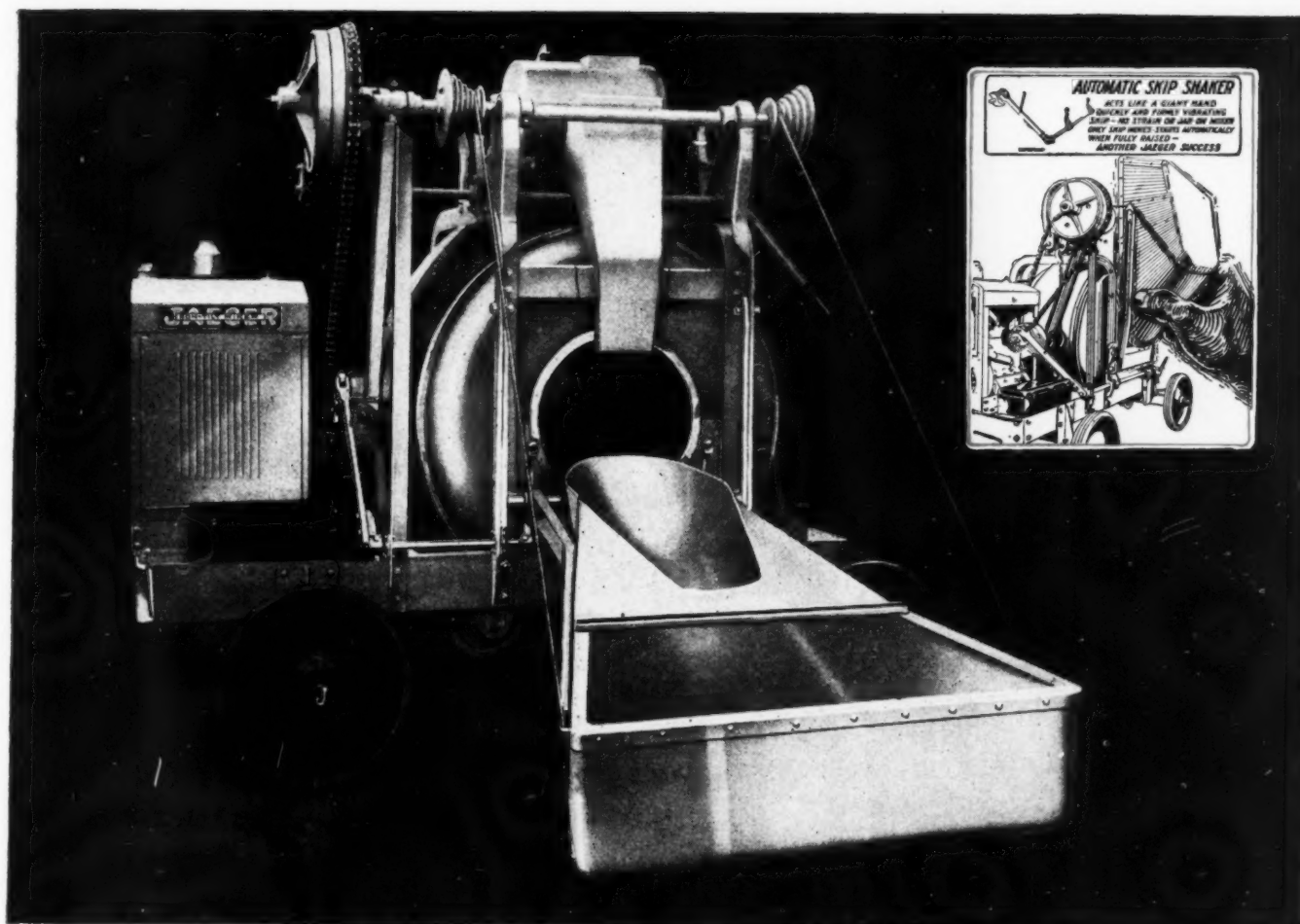
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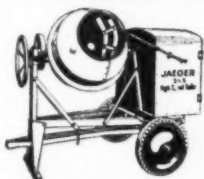
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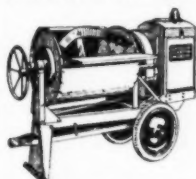
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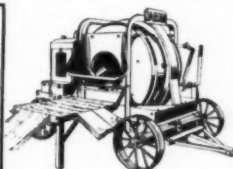


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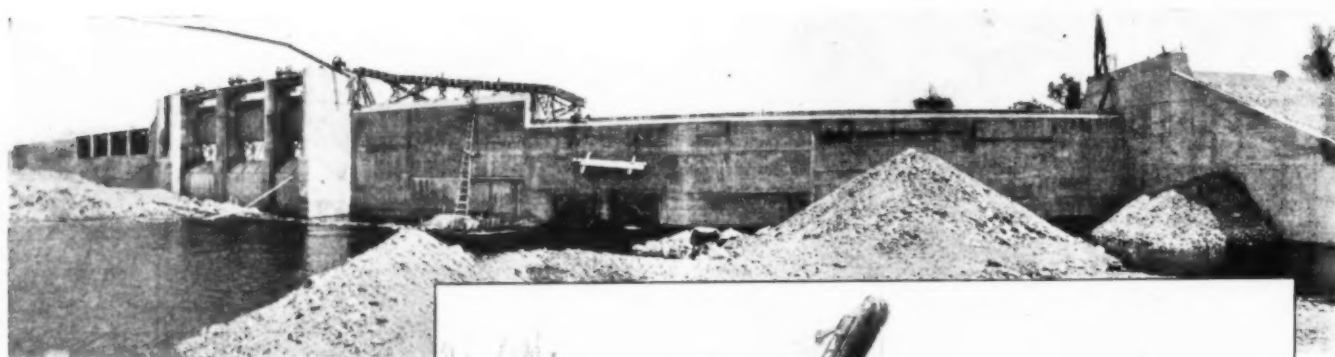
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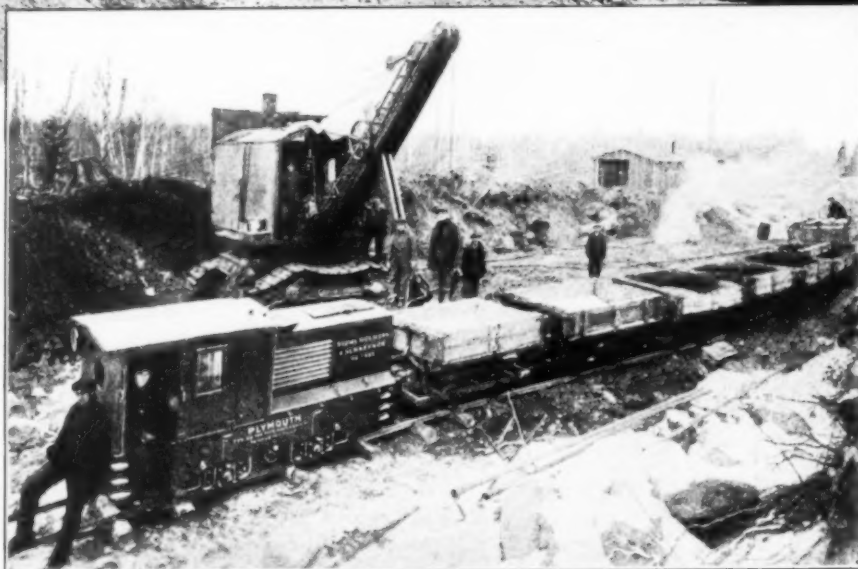
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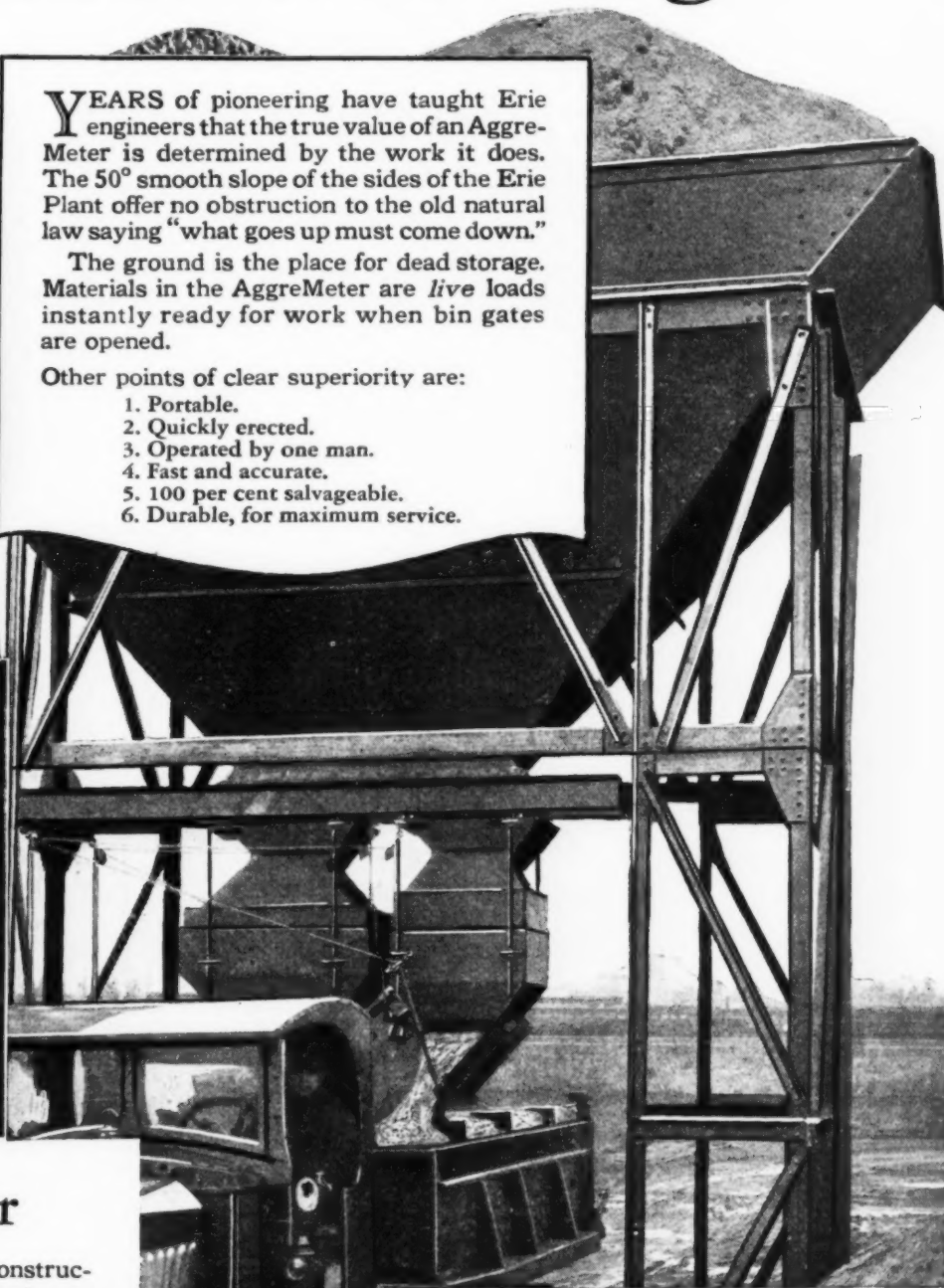
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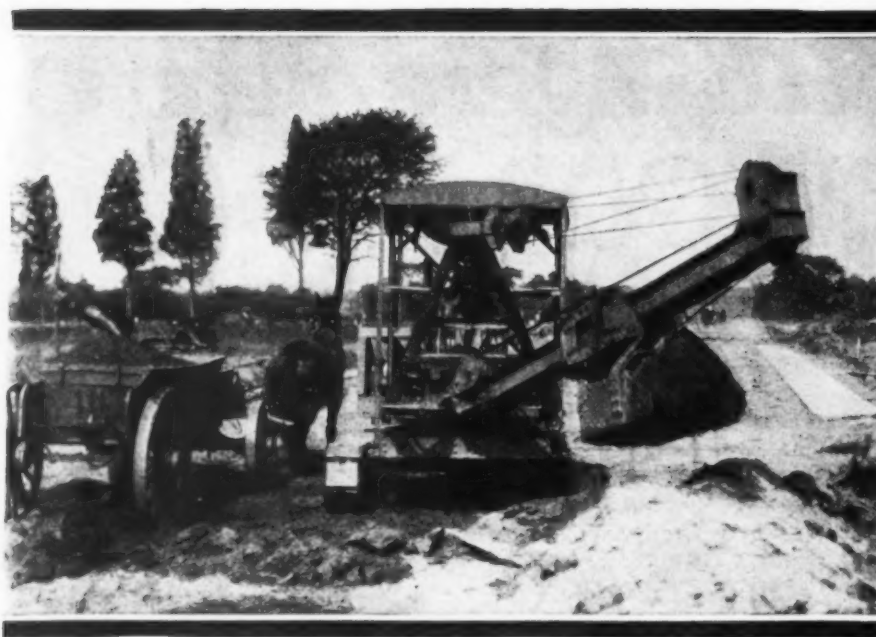
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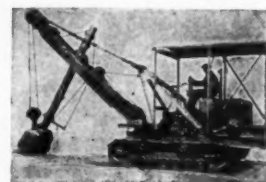
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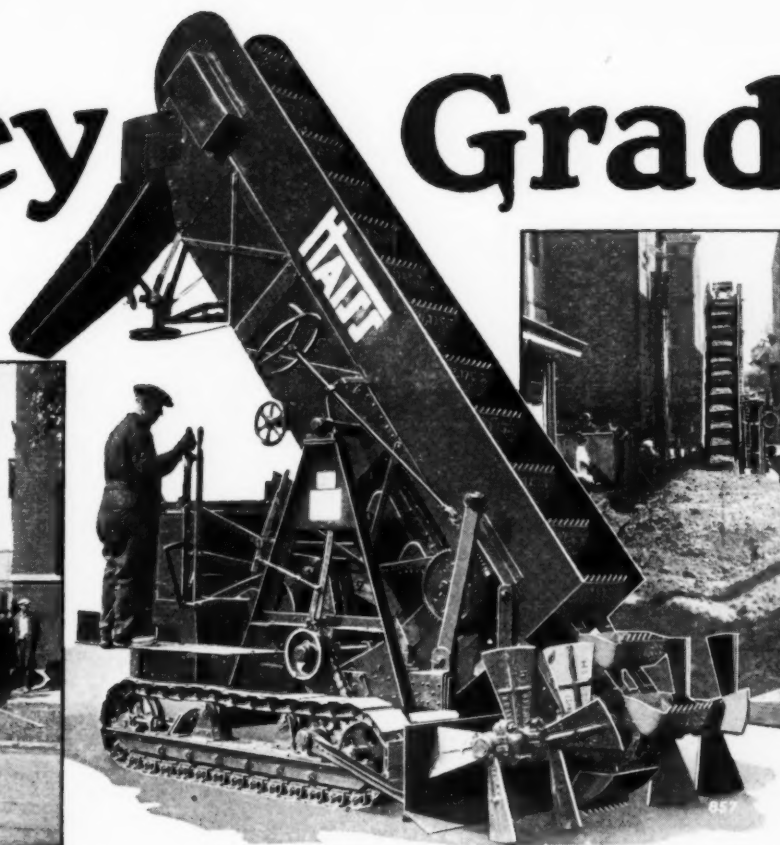
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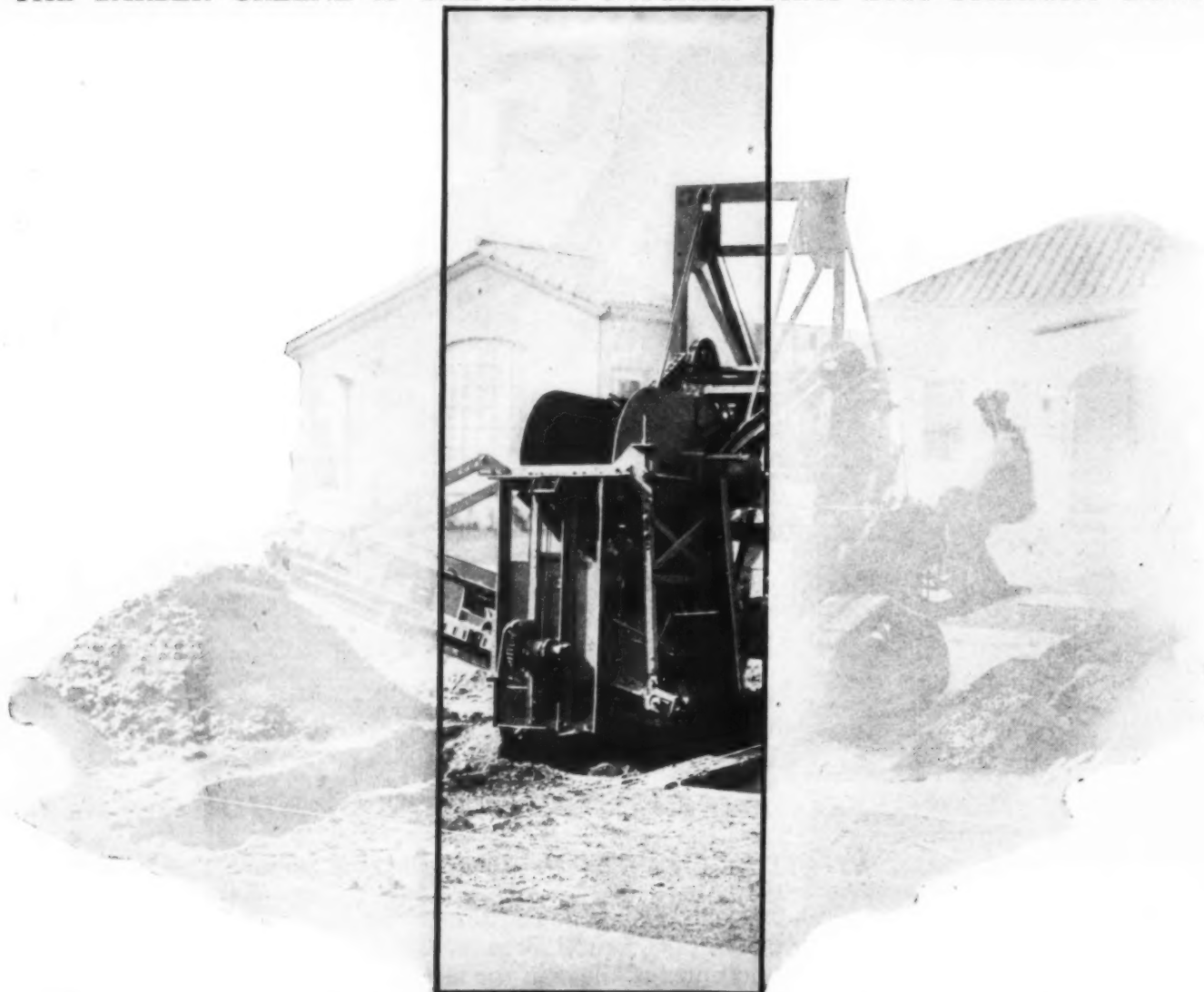
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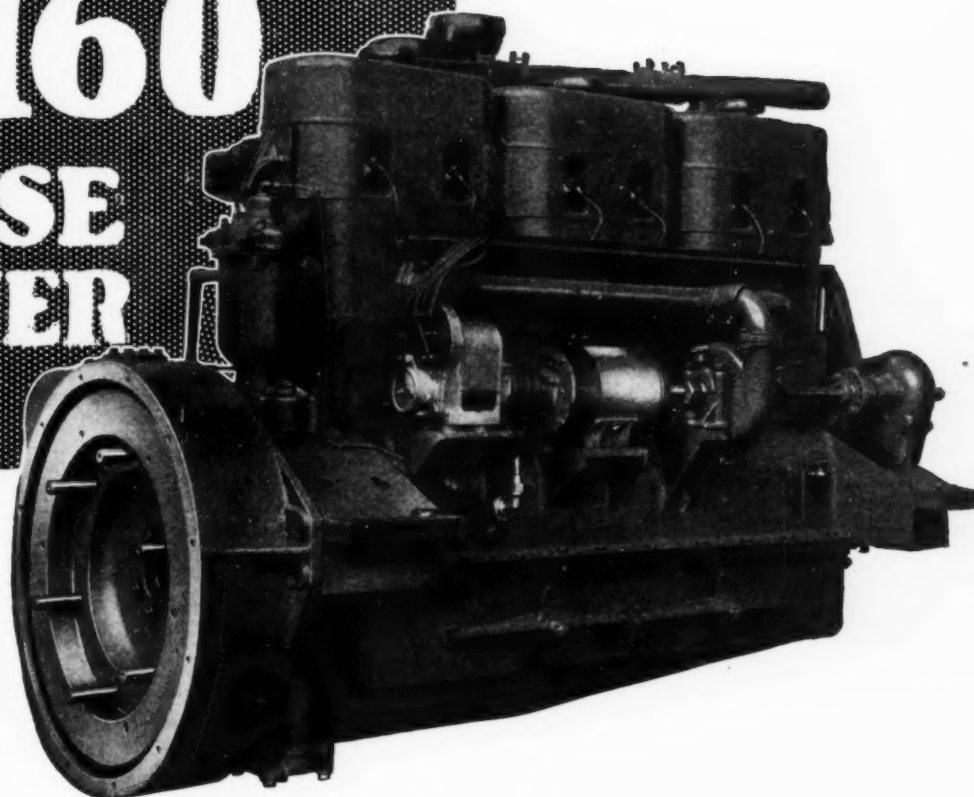
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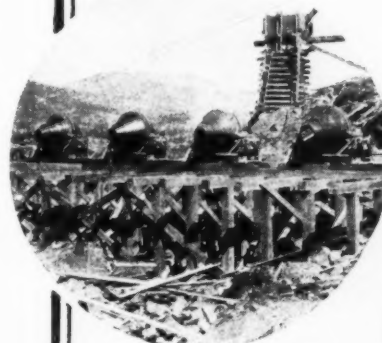
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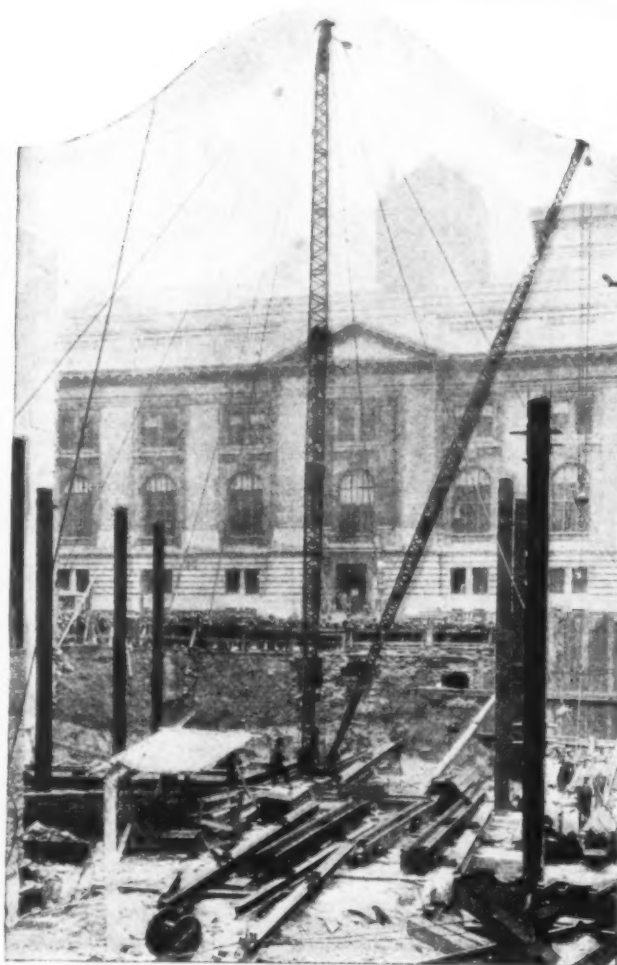
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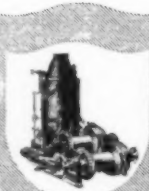
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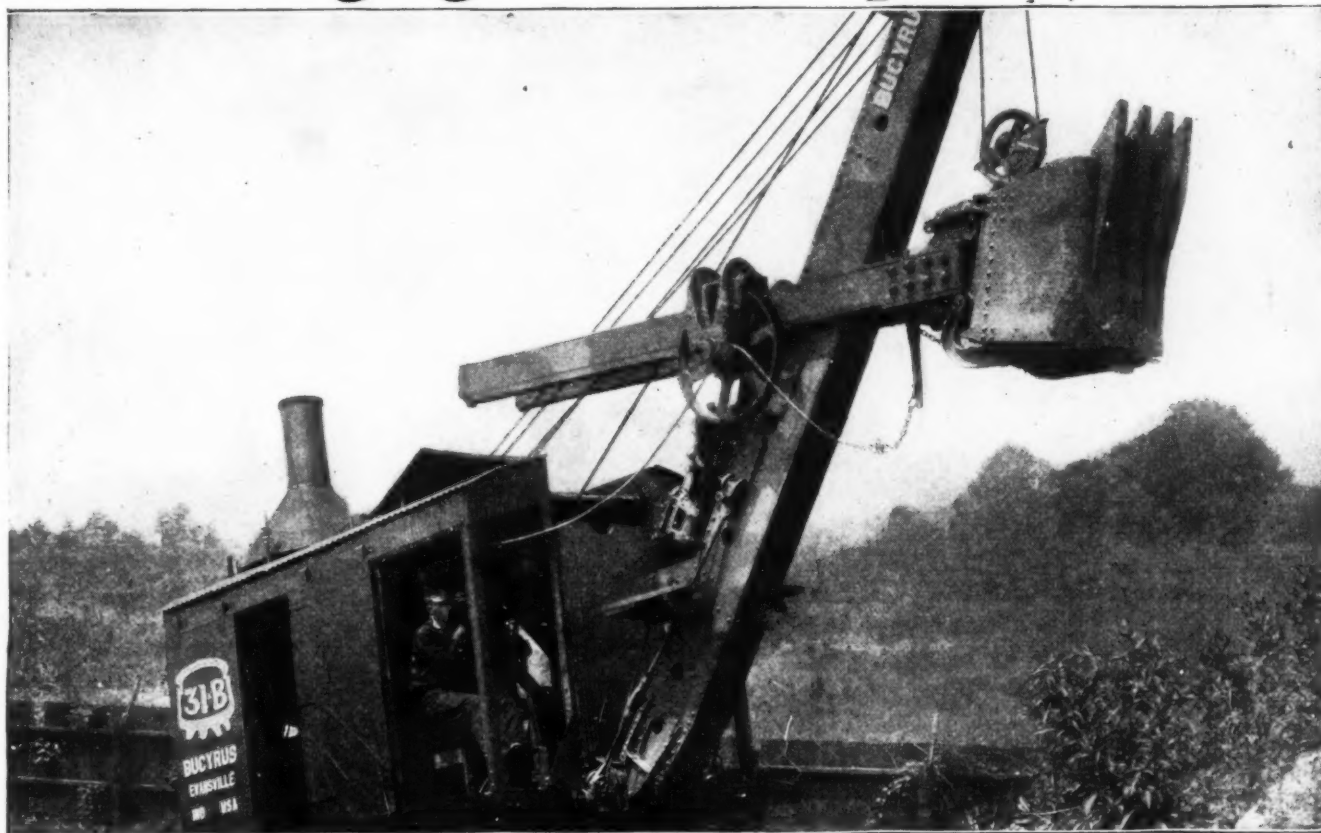
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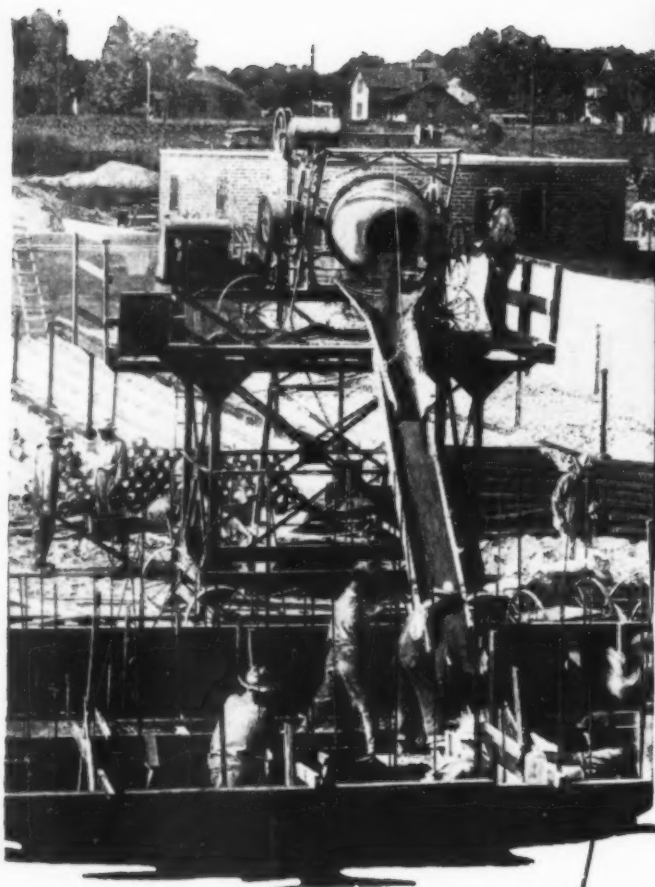
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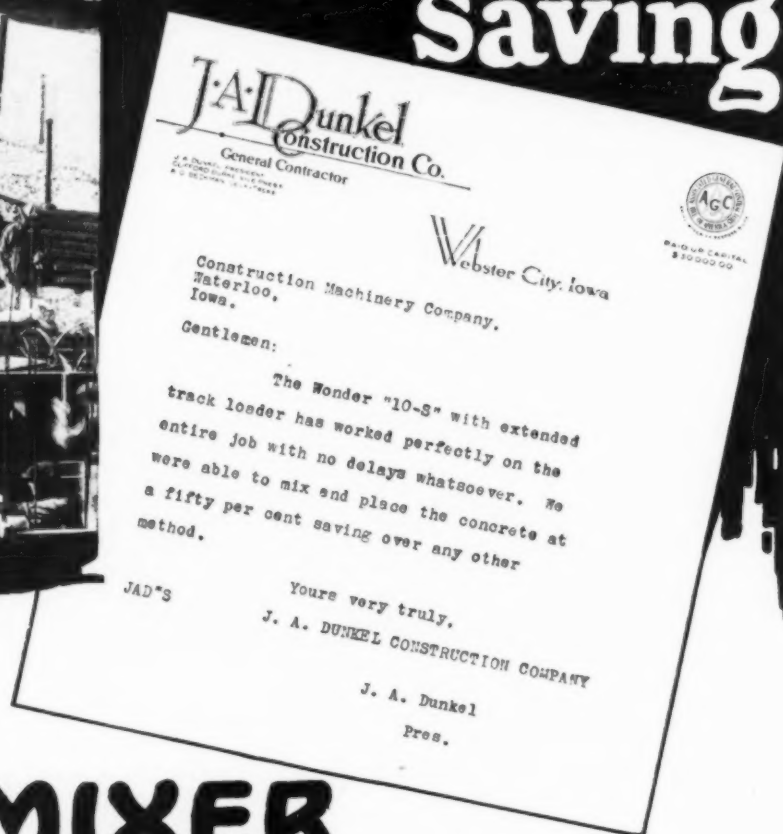
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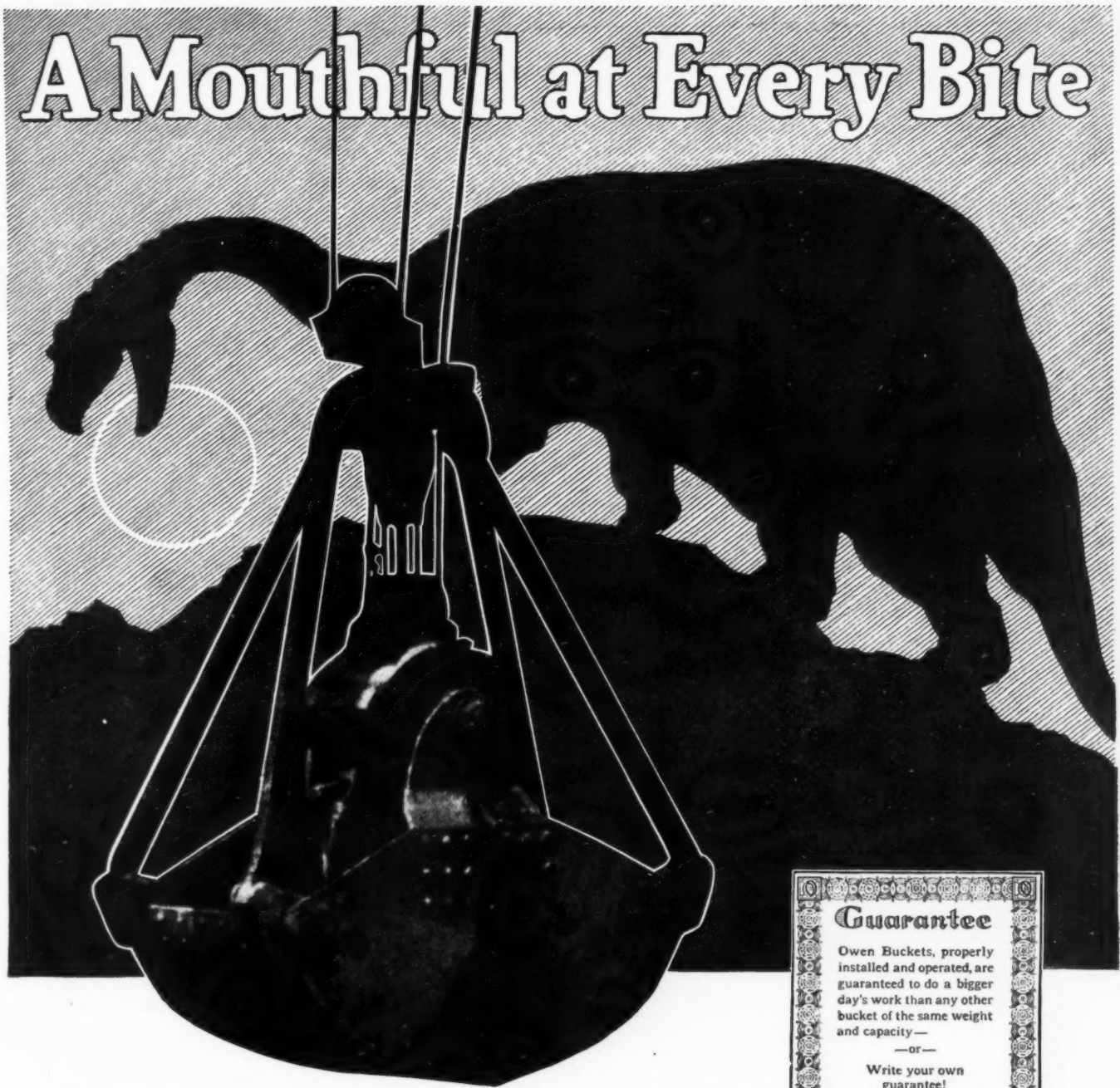
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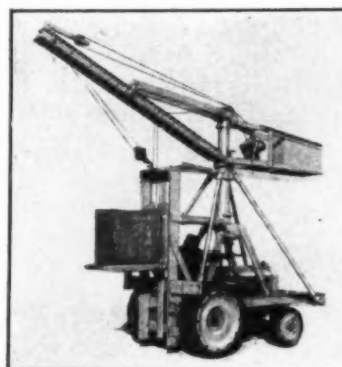
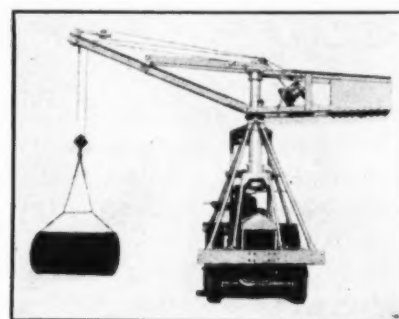
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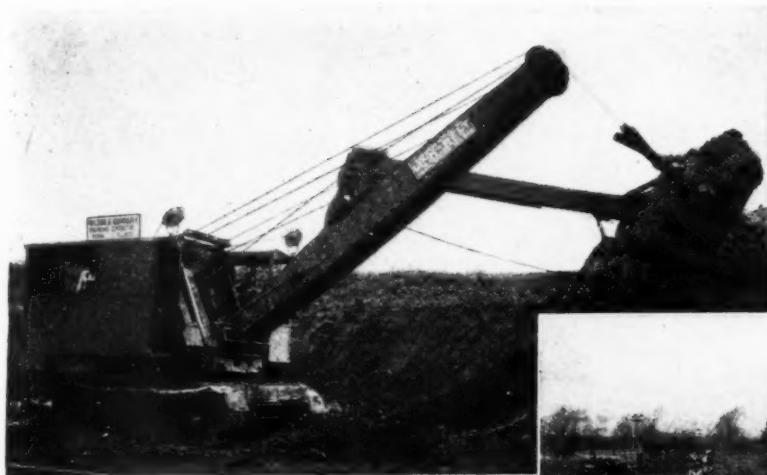
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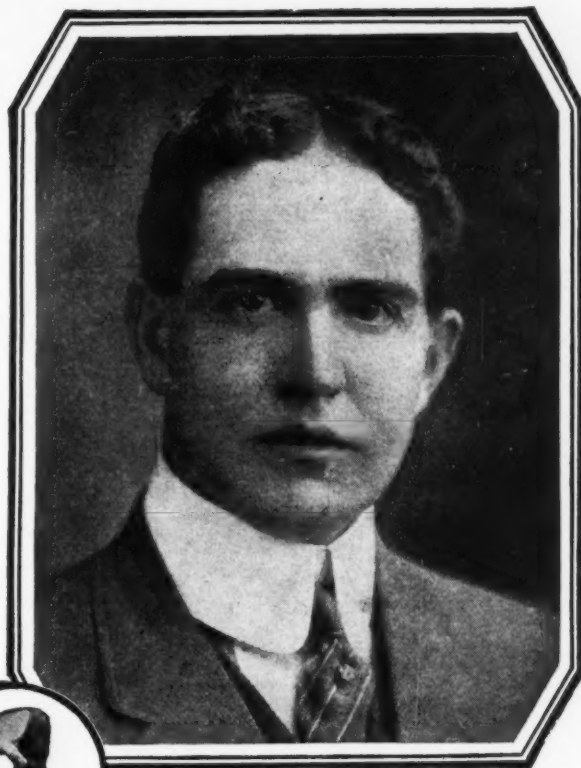
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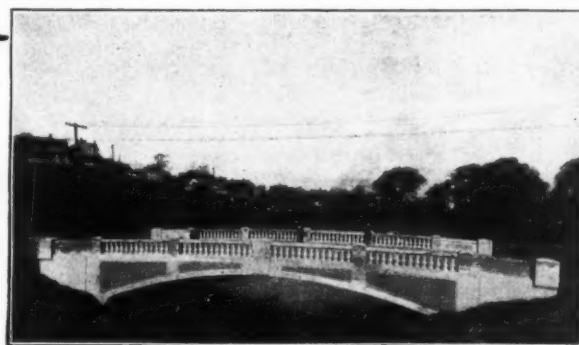
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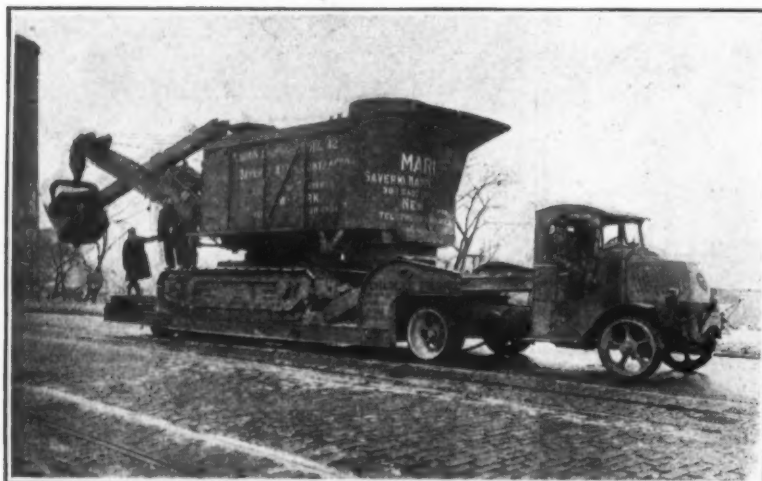
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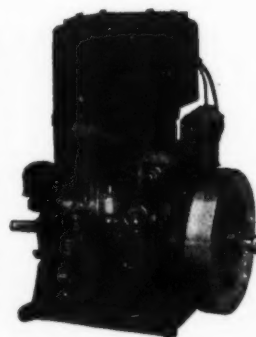
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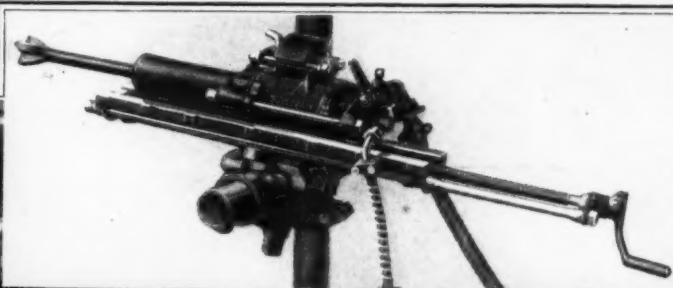
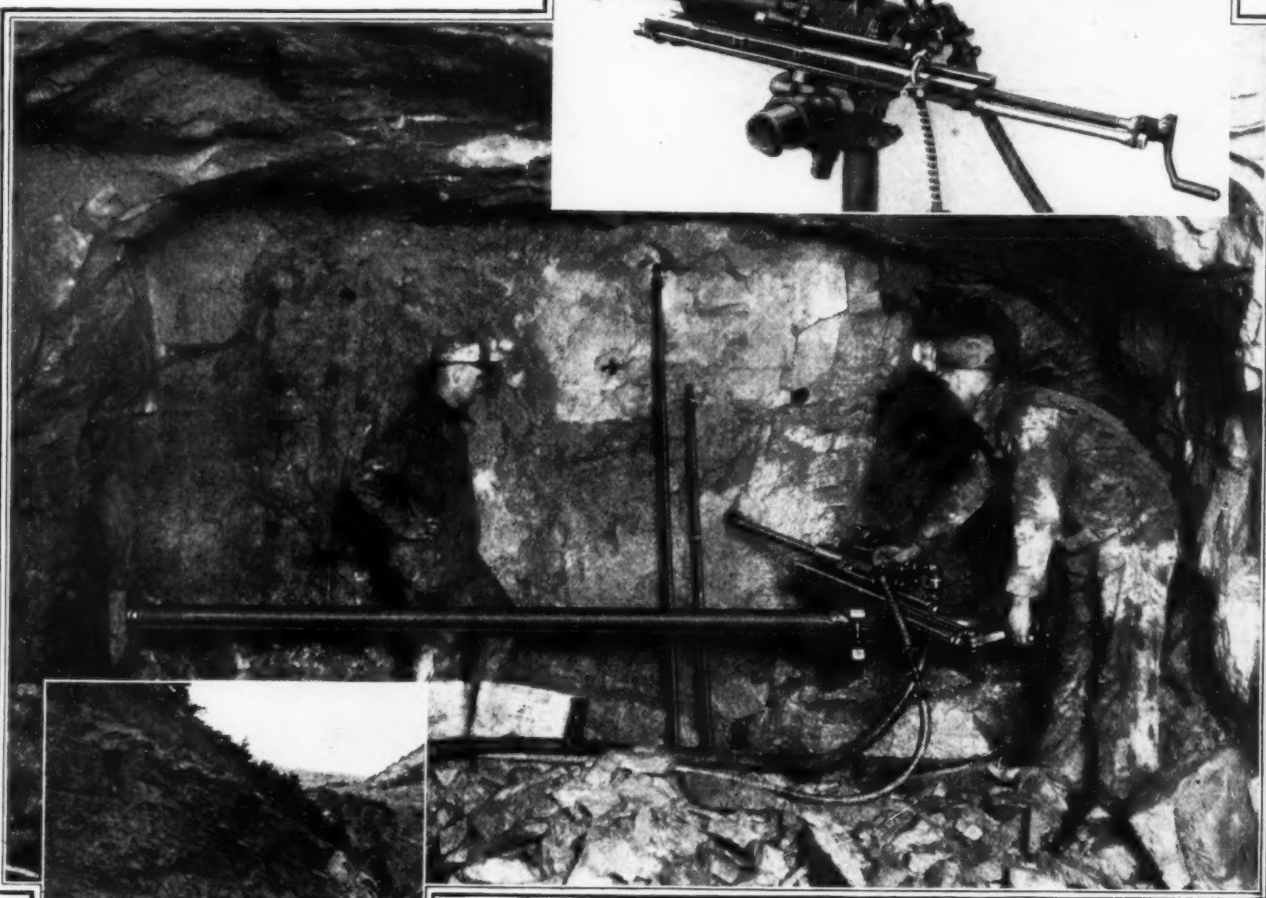
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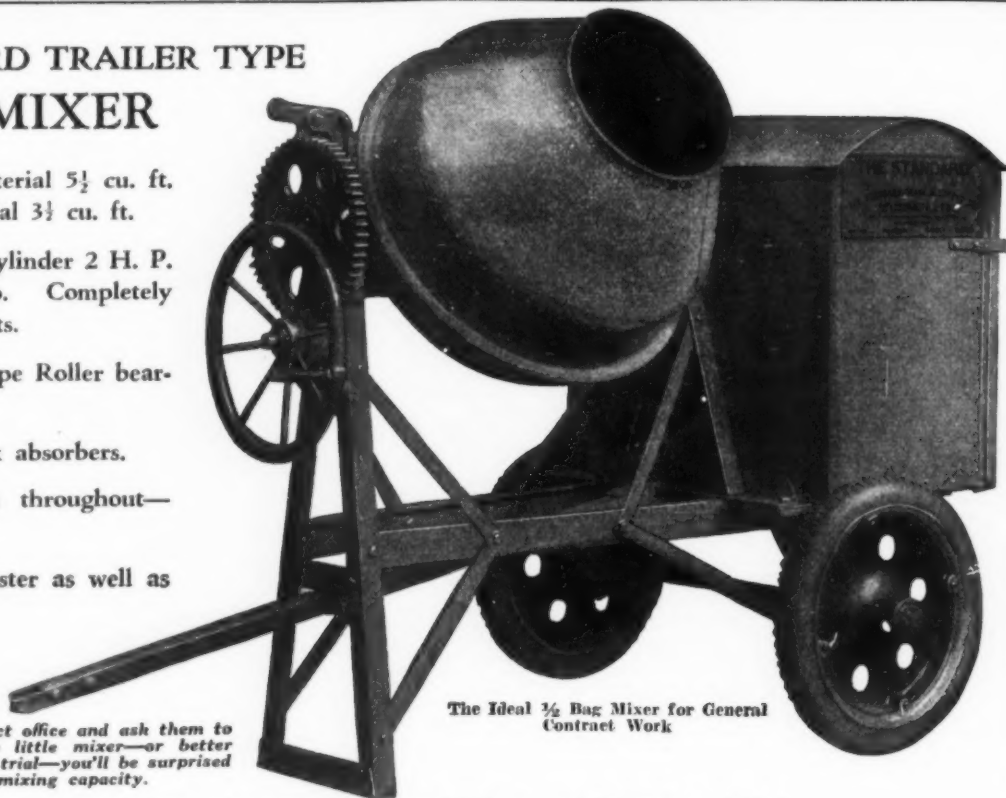
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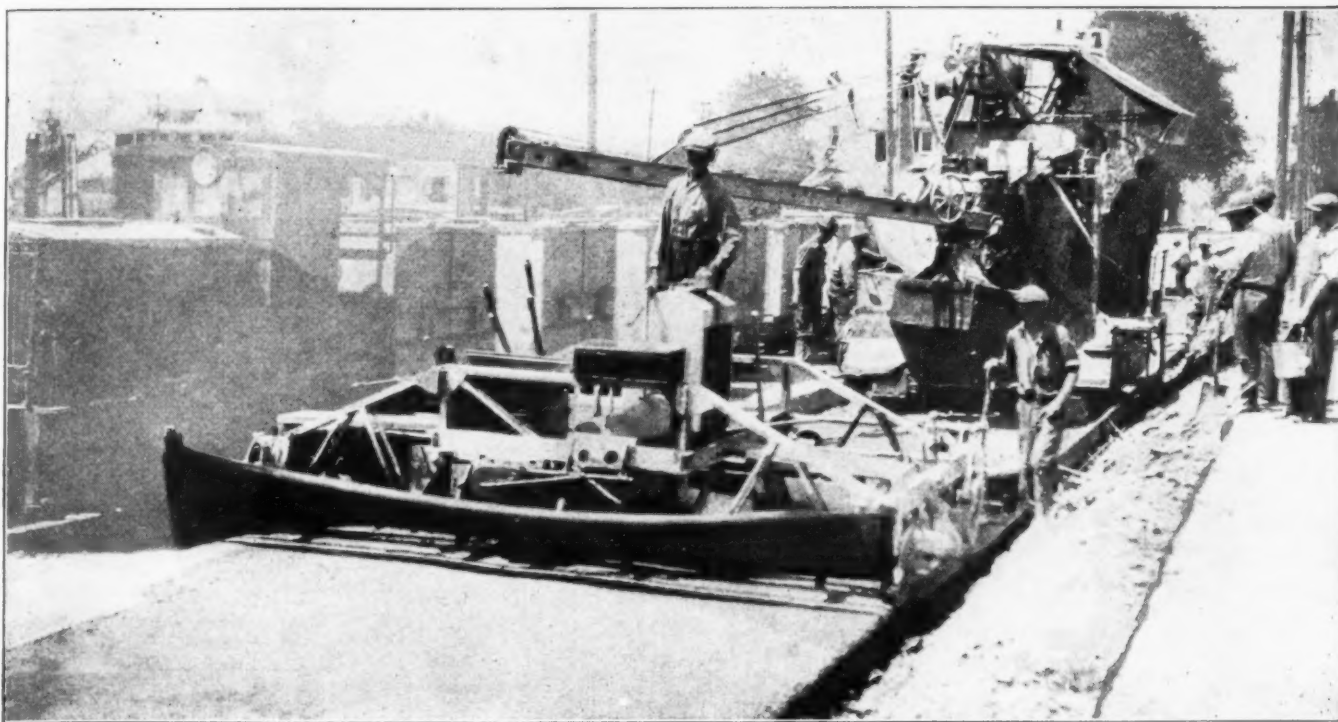


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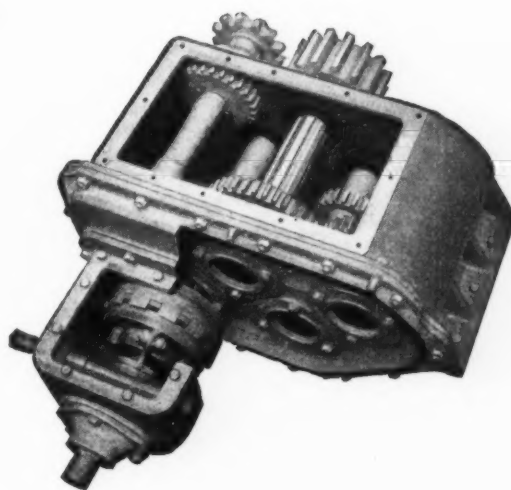
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3	3 ft.	23 lbs.	2, 2 1/4, 2 3/8, 2 1/2	2 3/8, 2 1/2, 2 3/4, 2 7/8
4	3 1/2 ft.	32 lbs.	2 1/2, 2 3/4, 3, 3 1/4	3 1/2, 3 3/8, 3 1/2
5	3 1/2 ft.	40 lbs.	3 1/4, 3 1/2, 3 3/4	4 1/4, 4 5/8

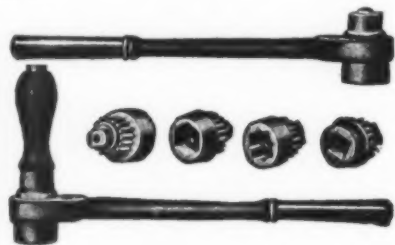
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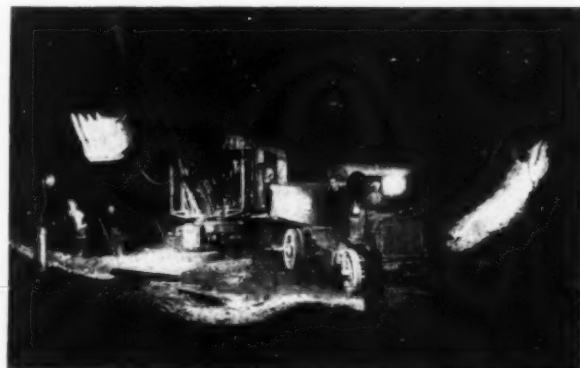
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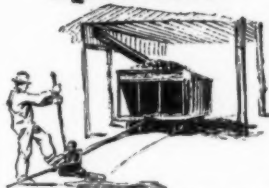
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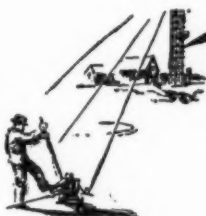
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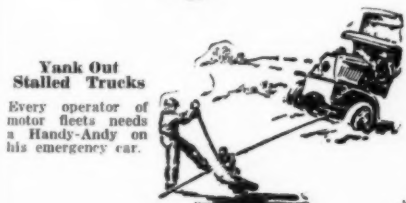
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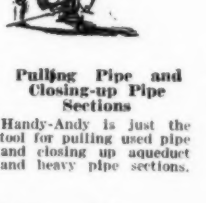
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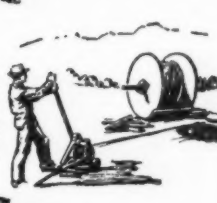
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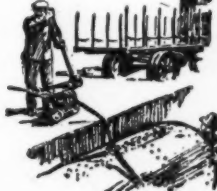
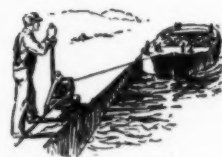
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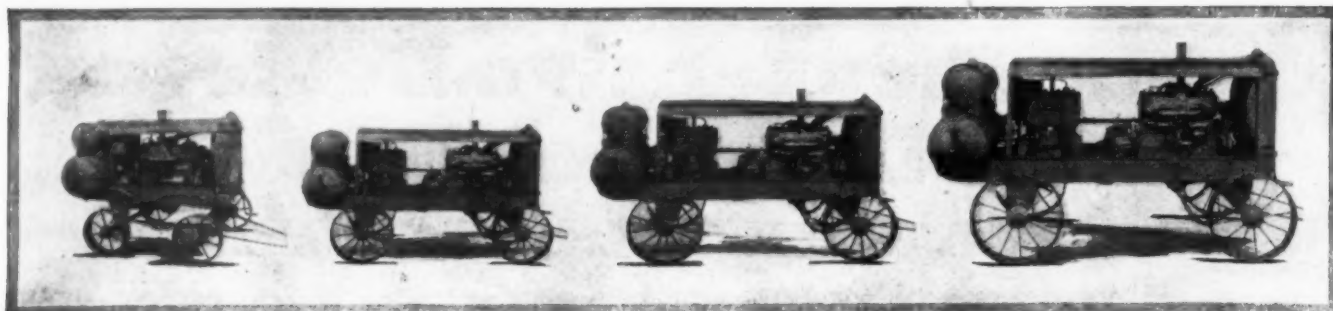
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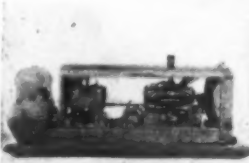
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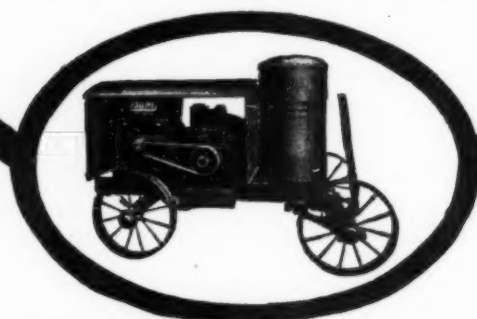
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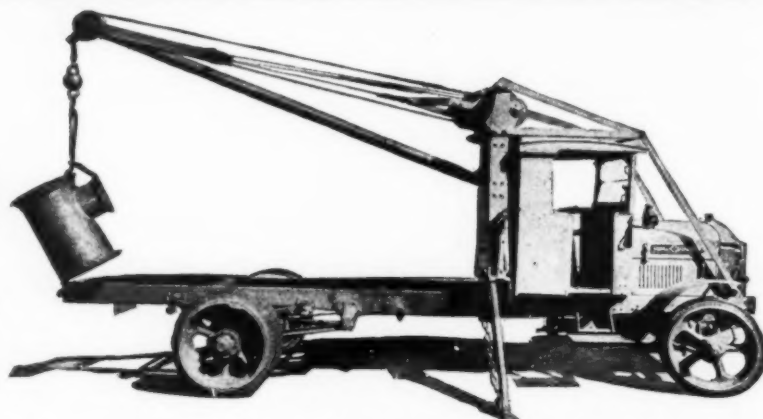
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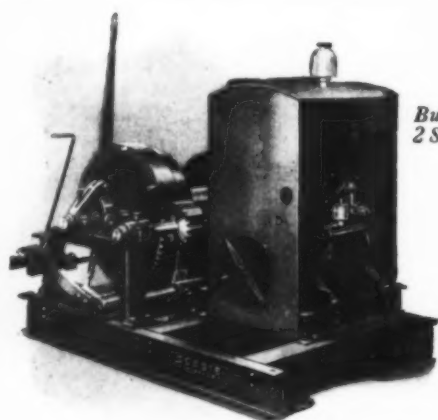
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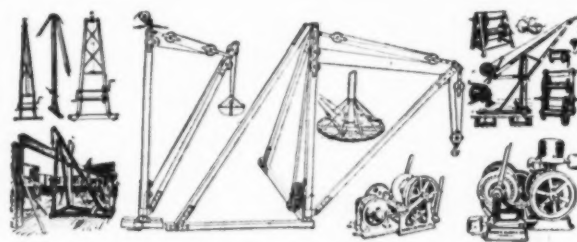
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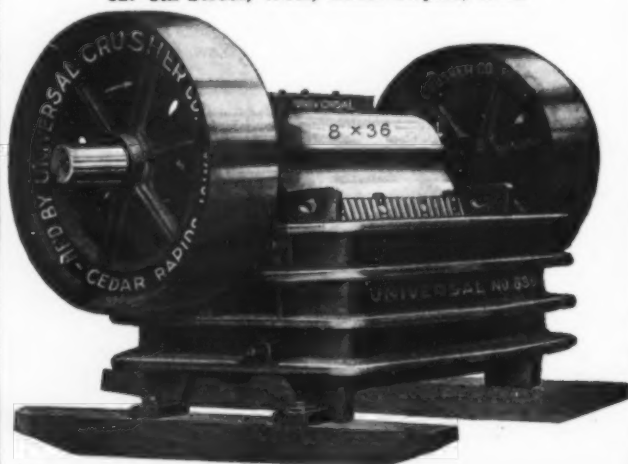
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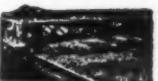
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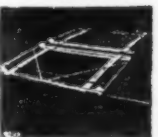
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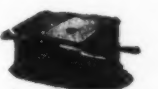
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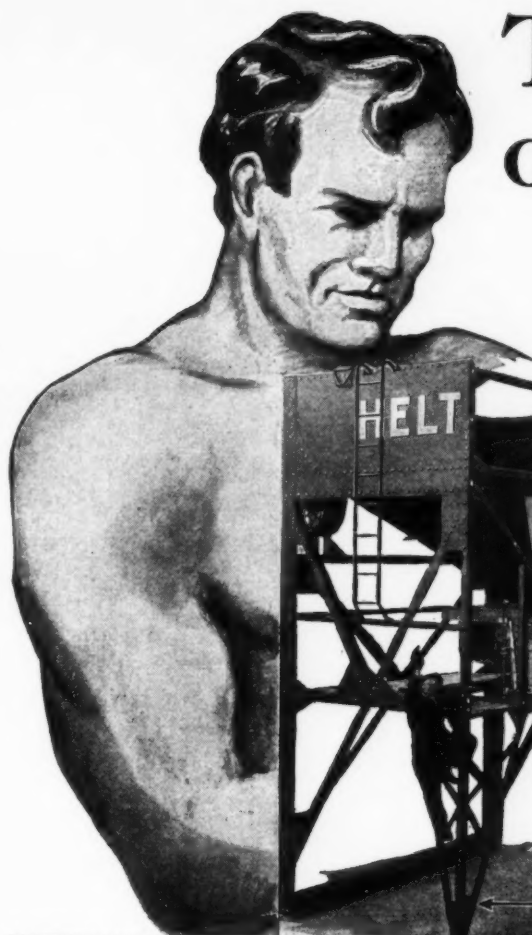
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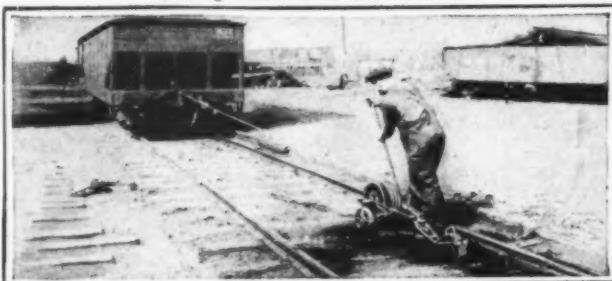
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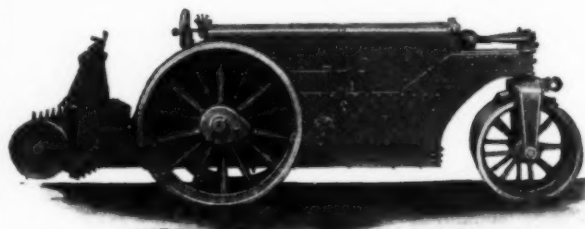
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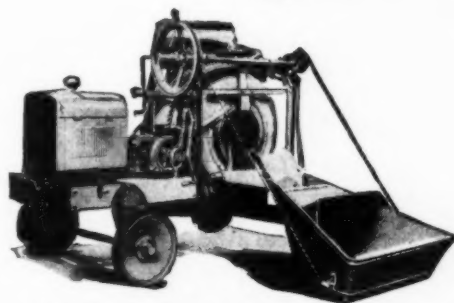


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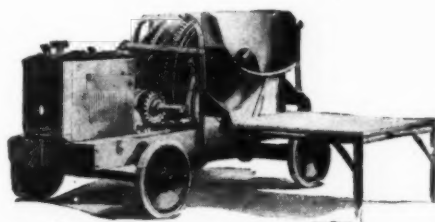
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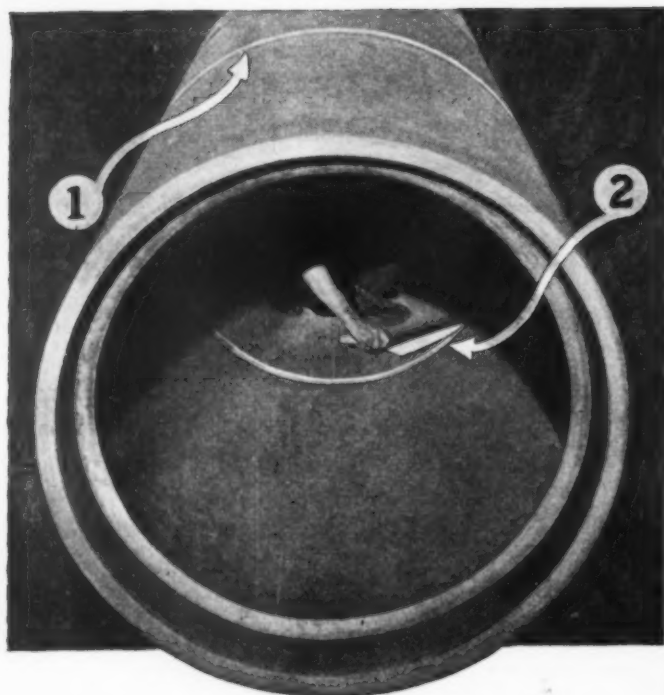
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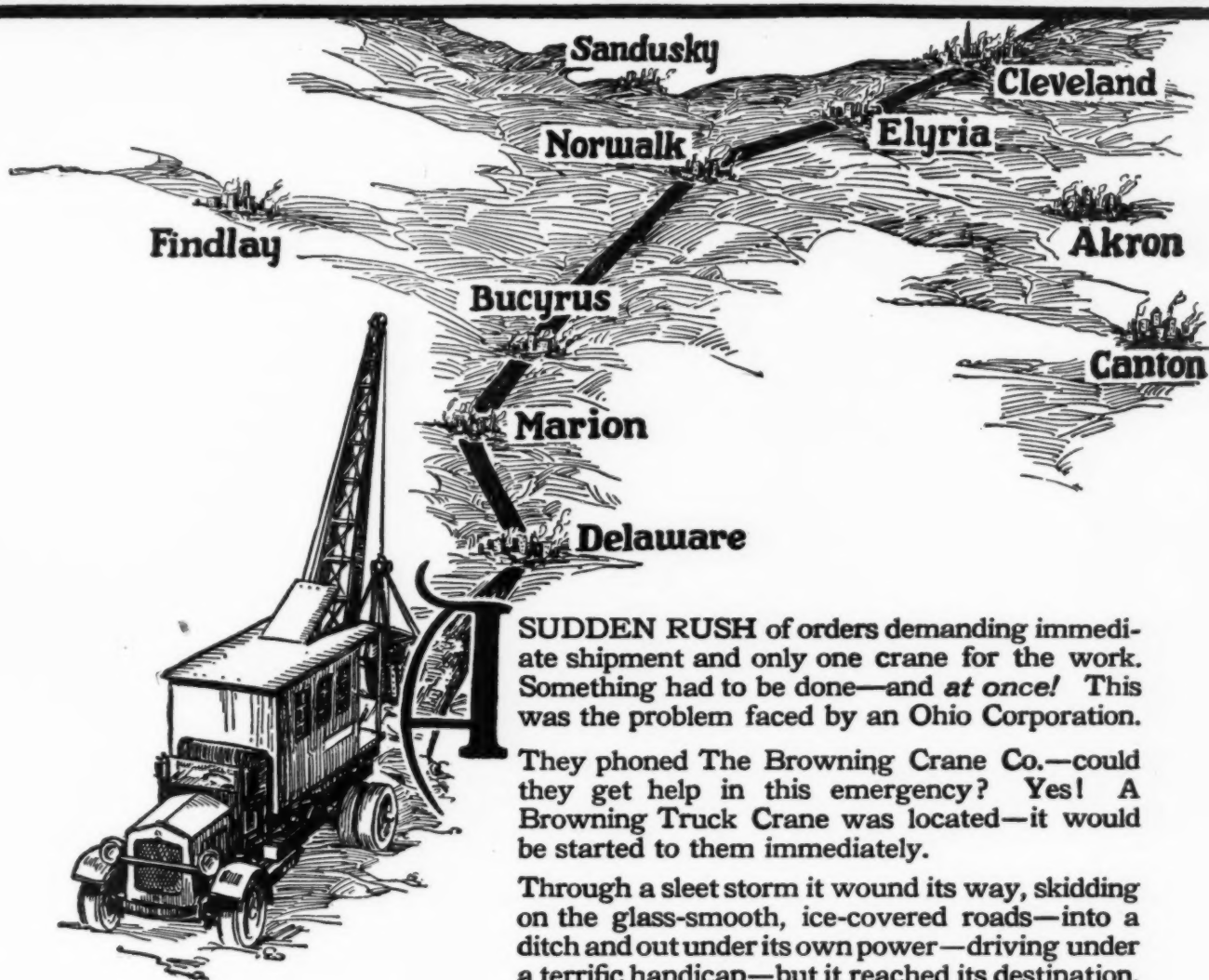
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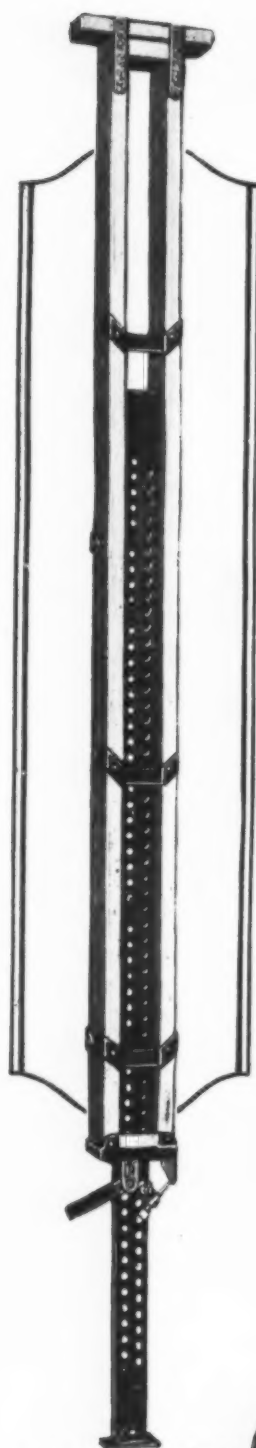
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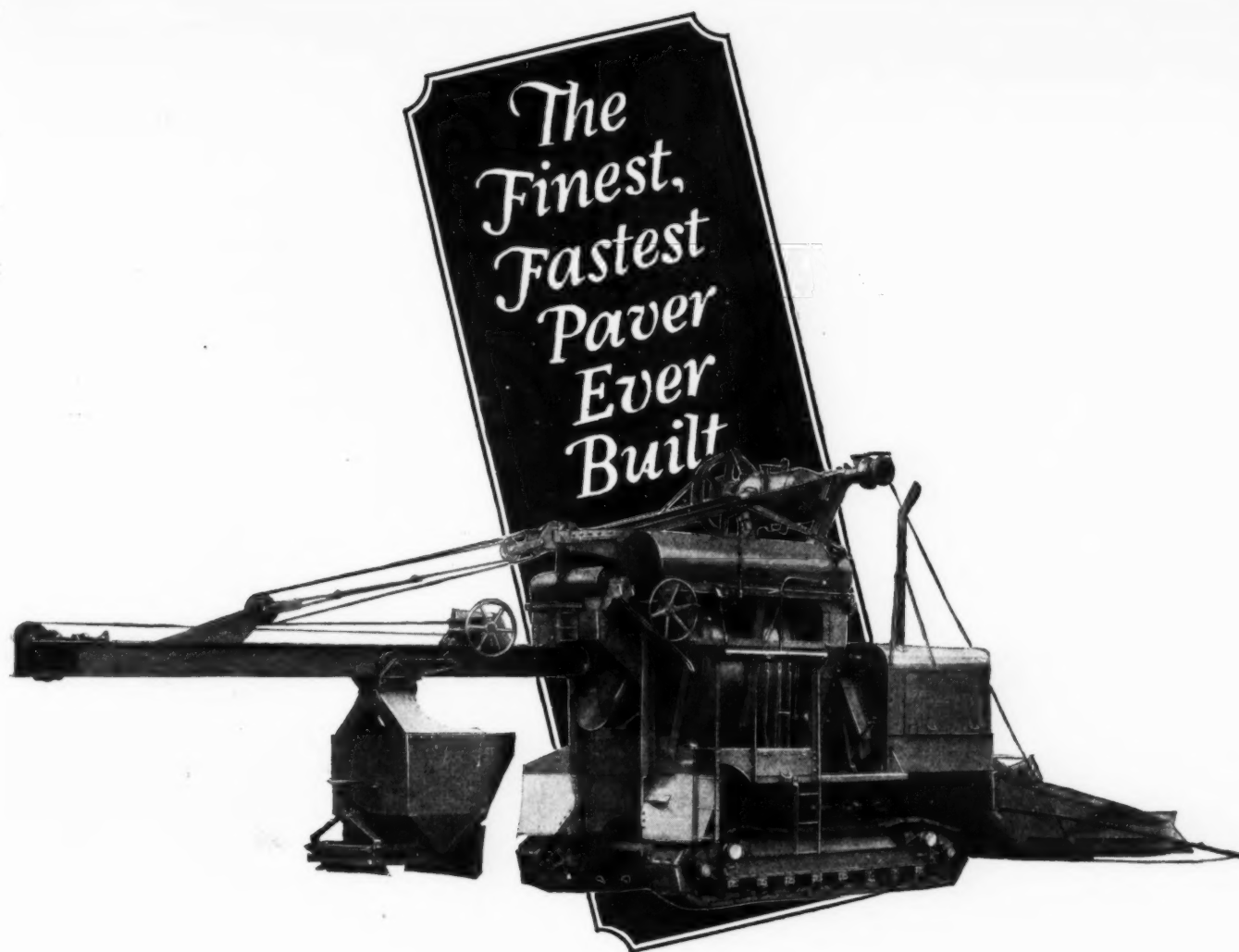
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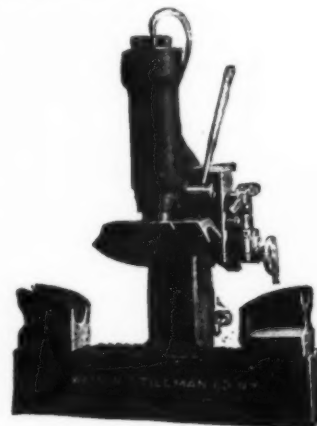
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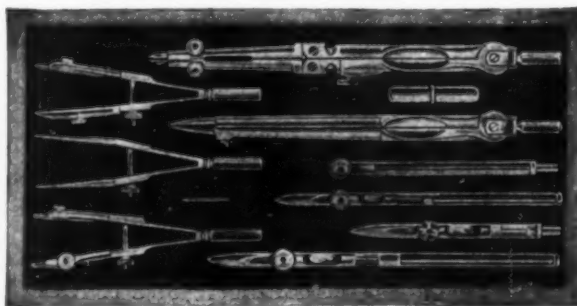
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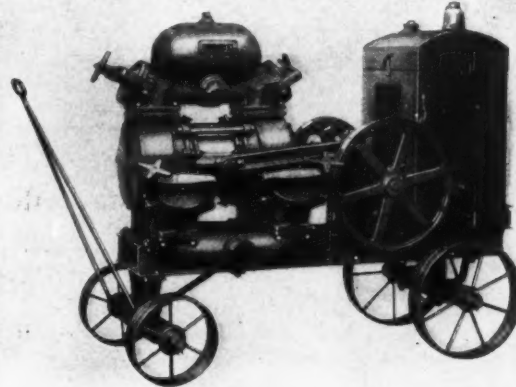
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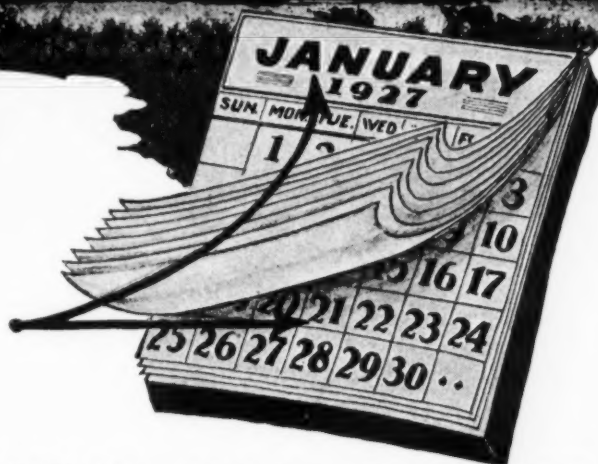
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